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MARRIAGE

HANSEN—NAPIER.—On May 19, 1940, in New York, GWYNNETH, elder daugher of Mr. and Mrs. N. Lennox Napier of Tsingtao, to AAGE HANSEN, only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hansen of Copenhagen. 12887

FUNERAL SERVICE

Funeral Services for the late Dr. Frank J. Rawlinson who passed away in August, 1937, will be held in the Chapel of the Paksienjao Cemetery, Rue Vouillemont, South of Avenue Joffre on Wednesday, May 29 at 5 p.m. followed by Masonic Committal Services of the ashes under the auspices of Amity Lodge No. 106 F. & A. M. All friends and Masons are invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Rawlinson Memorial fund may be sent to the office of the Chinese Recorder, 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road. -9017

The Committee of the Associated Foreign Charities of Shanghai of Church House, Kiangse Road, is always willing to receive *In Memoriam* donations and make allocations to the Charities in most need. 12881

A LOS ESPANOLES

Pasado manana, 29 de los corrientes, llegara a este Puerto el vapor "Hakozaki Maru" conduciendo una Mision Comercial, presidida por el General Casiro Girona, que se dirije al Japon.

Se ruega a los espanoles de Shanghai acudan al muelle para saludar nuestros compatriotas a su llegada.

El Consul General de Espana
PEDRO DE YGUAL

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twentieth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the above-named Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai on Tuesday, June 11, 1940 at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended January 31, 1940, declaring a final dividend, electing a Director and Auditors and transacting any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from May 30, to June 11, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Shanghai, May 27, 1940. 12899

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from. June 3 to June 11, 1940, both days inclusive.

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Shanghai, May 27, 1940. 12898

THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY (N.C.B.)
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A Meeting will be held in the Wulienteh Hall, 20 Museum Road, on Thursday, May 30, 1940, at 5.30 p.m., when a Lecture will be given by:

DR. FRANK G. HAUGHWOUT
entitled
"TYPHOONS AND THE LAW OF STORMS," Illustrated with Lantern Slides. The Chair will be taken by Mr. Arthur de C. Sowerby.

The Meeting is open to the public.

N. MAAS,
Honorary Secretary (R.A.S.)

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To-day's Events

MAY

28 A.W.C. Picnic, 12
28 NCDN broadcast 12.45 and 9 p.m. XMHD 760kc. 395m.

Coming Events

MAY

29 S'hai Jewish Sch. Prize dist., 544 Seymour Road, 5
30 American Memorial Day Service, Chapel, Bubbl. Well Cemetery, 8.30 a.m.
30 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
30 Royal Asiatic Society, Lecture.

JUNE

1 9th. Ann. Halutzim Ball, Race Club, 9
1 A.W.C. garden party, 4.30
2 Prof. B. Zakharoff pupil's 1st. concert, A.W.C., 4
3 Engineering Society meeting, 9.15
4 St. Olga's Orphanage, Bridge/Mahjongg For. Y, 2.30-7
4 British Residents' Assoc. of China, general meeting, B.W.A., 12 Bund, 5
6 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
6 Z. Bitner's Gala Performance, "Frasquita" Lt. Opera by Lehar, Lyc., 8.45
8 Prof. B. Zakharoff pupil's 2nd. concert, A.W.C., 4
8 'Frasquita', Lt. Op. by Lehar, Lyc., 8.45
9 'Frasquita', Lt. Op. by Lehar, Lyc., 8.45
13 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
15 P.S.G. Former Pupils' 'At Home' and ann. gen. mtg., at school, 404 Yu Yuen, 3.30
20 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
20 Jumble S., Limbless, U.C. Hall, 9.30
27 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15

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Tickets of admission have been posted to Members.

By order of the Committee

H. F. BAKER,
Secretary.

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PONY AUCTION

Following well-known Polo Ponies will be auctioned on Wednesday, May 29, at the Loong Fei Auction.

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THE SHANGHAI DIRECTORY
(Half-yearly Edition of the China Hong List)

ENTRIES TO CLOSE TO-MORROW

SHANGHAI Firms and Residents who have not sent in their corrections for the July issue of the Shanghai Directory (half-yearly edition of the China Hong List) are reminded that entries will close To-morrow (Wednesday), after which date no changes will be guaranteed.

THE PUBLISHERS, SHANGHAI DIRECTORY
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9.15 p.m. on GSF—News Summary
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12.00 m.n. on GSF—Full News Bulletin

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8.30 p.m.	"	German
8.45 p.m.	"	Italian
9.00 p.m.	"	Portuguese
10.00 p.m.	"	Spanish

The above broadcasts are not directed to the Far East, but it is possible to receive them locally when conditions are favourable.

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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Meteorological Reports	May 26 16.00	May 26 21.00	May 27 4.00	May 27 9.00
Barometer inches	29.91	29.92	29.89	29.92
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.08	—0.09	—0.09	—0.08
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.07	—0.08	—0.02	0.00
Wind (direction)	SE	SE	SE/E	S
" (miles per hour)	15.6	9.9	8.1	6.2
Temperature (Fahr.)	73.°6	65.°3	64.°4	72.°3
Humidity %	48	79	88	78
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	9	8	10	9
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report May 26	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.95	—0.05	29.82
Temp. Min. 55.°9 Max. 81.°1	68.°5	+0.°1	68.°5
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	14.64	—	14.34

Time and Tide	28/5	29/5	30/5	31/5	1/6	2/6	3/6
Sun rises at Shanghai	4.52	4.51	4.51	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Sun sets at Shanghai	6.51	6.51	6.52	6.52	18.53	18.53	18.54
Moon rises at Shanghai	—	0.02	0.35	1.08	1.41	2.15	2.52
Moon sets at Shanghai	11.00	11.53	12.45	13.37	14.30	15.23	16.17
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	14.49	16.00	17.15	5.50	6.55	7.55	8.43
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	7.56	9.00	10.07	11.20	12.10	13.55	13.40
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	16.57	18.19	6.51	7.59	8.57	9.49	10.45
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	9.15	8.95	8.20	7.93	8.45	8.50	8.50

POST OFFICE NOTICES

The following times apply to the Head Post Office, Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

TUESDAY, May 28.	Reg.	Ord.
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	*20.00	8.00
Straits	8.30	9.00
Tsingtao and Dairen	8.30	9.00
Tinghai and Shenkiamen via Tinghai	10.30	11.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin	12.30	13.00
Foochow via Sankiangkow	13.30	14.00
Nantung	14.30	15.00
Aust. N.Z. and Indo-China x	15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton x	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong A	—	—
Hongkong and Haiphong	19.30	20.00
WEDNESDAY, May 29.		
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Japan H'lulu U.S.A. Canada and Europe via Pacific	*20.00	9.00
Chefoo and Tientsin x	9.30	10.00
Ninghsien etc.	11.30	12.00
Hongkong and Canton x	13.00	13.30
Tsingtao Weihaiwei Chefoo and Tientsin	13.30	14.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Hongkong and Canton	19.30	20.00
THURSDAY, May 30.		
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	*20.00	8.00
Hongkong and Haiphong	14.00	14.30
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 28th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
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Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service per steamer on May 28, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due London on June 12.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on May 28, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on June 11.
Air France per steamer on May 28, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary.
Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Batavia-Naples) per steamer to Hongkong.
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Light Train Mail

Via N.S.R. 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Hangchow 11.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai Line (Chenghsien and east thereof) 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Wuhu, Tatung, Hwaining, Kiukiang and Hankow 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
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Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
Per steamer via Pacific, on May 29.
Per steamer via Suez, on June 3.
Per steamer via Suez, on June 8.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Netherlands War Fund
E. M. Hicks $20

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THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday Min. 64.0 Max. 78.0
Same date, 1939 Min. 65.0 Max. 80.0
Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—
Yesterday Min. 61.9 Max. 78.3
Same date, 1939 Min. 65.3 Max. 73.8

State on the morning of the 26th:—Normal and steady pressure over China and Japan. Northerly to easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine and cloudy weather.

State on the morning of the 27th:—Overcast weather. South-south-easterly breezes. Normal and steady pressure.

Probabilities. 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and rather warm weather with hazy and south-easterly to south-westerly winds around Shantung. Variable weather and winds with mist or local showers over our regions and the Eastern Sea.—Siccawei Observatory.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Why Not?:

A Shanghai Contingent

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—King George, in his Empire Day Message, warned the Empire "how perilous is the ordeal which we are facing." He asked us to put into our tasks all the courage and purpose of which we are capable. Our Consul-General, also on Empire Day, inspired us to face our difficulties as we have so often done before when our backs were to the wall.

But what in fact are we British in Shanghai doing to help our country? The situation has changed much since the Ambassador advised us to be patient and wait. The authorities are too busy to worry about transportation of a small contingent from Shanghai.

At home everybody is doing his or her part. Men of all ages have volunteered; all but key men up to the age of 28 have been called up and those up to 37 are standing by to go at any time; the Home Defence Corps has raised 400,000 men in a few days; munition workers are working seven days a week and the Trade Unionists are giving unstinted support.

Is it not high time that we too did our share and awoke from our lethargy? There are plenty of men here of the right age who are anxious to go and could be spared without disorganization if others worked harder and longer. Proper provision should be made in such cases of course. The French community is far smaller than ours yet our French friends are leaving week by week. If Government transportation cannot be made available surely we can raise funds to pay the fares of a Shanghai contingent. Many of us can afford to sacrifice some luxury for this purpose.

Will not you, sir, as the voice of the British community, give a lead and urge our societies and associations, with which we are so well provided, to respond to the call from home and set the pace for the British Community.

I am ear-marking £50 for the purpose suggested above. If there is no response it will go to the War Fund.

C.

Shanghai, May 27.

Electricity Surcharges:

A Ratepayer's Questions

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The once honourable status of Ratepayer of the International Settlement of Shanghai is now becoming a doubtful asset, due in considerable measure to the lavish system of surcharges inaugurated by the S.M.C., for the benefit of its Public Utility companies and others. In this connection I wish to refer to the latest Power Company surcharges.

From an unobtrusive little newspaper notice a minority of ratepayers, a few days ago, learned that the power surcharge for June will be increased to 316 per cent.!

This means 416 per cent. of the normal charge, an increase from 5.6 cents to 23.3 cents. Against this there seems to be no appeal—it is ukase. Apparently the sky appears to be the limit for these surcharges, so before the last straws are laid on the breaking backs of the poor asses (only Pivot Boys can afford to be camels now-a-days!) perhaps a protest may invoke something other than an echo in the breasts of some of our more responsive citizens.

Are we not entitled to call for an end to the nebulous theories and uncertainties surrounding this surcharge situation by having the following facts squarely faced and the results publicly recorded:—

1. Where must the responsibility be placed for S.M.C. ratepayers, now being forced to pay 23.3 cents for electricity, while at the same moment the F.M.C. ratepayers get exactly the same thing for only 5.9 cents?

2. If the computed cost of coal is the official answer, why does not some official find time to inform the Power Company that the F.M.C. does not buy any coal, and further that it does not intend to buy coal at war prices! Why, therefore, should S.M.C. ratepayers be accorded the exclusive "privilege" of paying through the nose for such expensive luxuries as "black diamonds" when F.M.C. ratepayers never have and possibly never will have huge surcharges piled upon them on account of rising coal costs?

3. Has it been definitely ascertained that all users of S.P.C. current are actually paying increases corresponding to this new 316 per cent. surcharge? I have heard some rather well supported statements that certain large concerns have "contracts" from which it might reasonably be assumed that ratepayers could surreptitiously be saddled with heavy excess-excess coal costs which either should be billed directly to the "certain large concerns" or charged against S.P.C. surplus earnings.

4. What part in the computed cost of generating current is the U.S. dollar salaries—beginning, it is said, at U.S.$50,000 (£15,635)—which are paid to Power Company officials, and is not this leadership in foreign currency salaries at the root of all the agitation for increased sterling salaries for S.M.C. officials, and are sterling salaries not the largest factor in the corruption of the retail price structure in Shanghai which undoubtedly has brought untold suffering and death to thousands of citizens.

ROBERT L. STEWART.

Shanghai, May 27.

The Buses:

One Driven by Conductor

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Some time ago several private organizations, acting jointly with the police forces of both the Settlement and the French Concession, launched at great labour and expense, a campaign known as the "Safety First Campaign." The aim of this highly commendable effort was to educate the public in their movements on the streets with the ultimate effect of minimizing accidents.

However, the local press recently reported an unusual accident caused by a bus conductor of the C.G.O. Co. who drove a bus without a license through the most crowded streets of Shanghai.

How is it that an organization like the C.G.O. Co., with such a large staff could allow their bus, a vehicle very difficult to drive, to be in charge of an employee without a driver's license and actually driving the bus for quite some distance i.e. from its starting point on Peking Road to Avenue Foch near Route des Sœurs where the accident happened.

The Police of the French Concession have already taken very justified action against the driver being without a license, but what steps are taken by the C.G.O. Co. to assure the public that such grave mistakes will be avoided and public safety not endangered?

Was it necessary, in order to test the brakes of a bus, to make such a long journey and use the crowded streets of Shanghai as an experimental workshop of the C.G.O. Co. with the Shanghai public as involuntary guinea-pigs? Should not elementary prudence demand that such tests be carried out within the compounds of the C.G.O. Co. without any possible danger to the public?

Can any satisfactory result be expected from the efforts of a "Safety First Campaign" if companies like the C.G.O. Co., serving the public, show so little control over their employees and so little interest in public safety?

C. H. G.

Shanghai, May 24.

Democracy's Struggle:

Co-operation Needed of All

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—There is a particular scene in that magnificent photo-play "Sixty Glorious Years" which has kept recurring in my mind for the past year. I refer to the scene in which Queen Victoria remarks to her Prime Minister:

The traditional slowness of England may one day bring disaster upon her!

These words may not have been the actual ones used but the implication remains the same.

In our fast-moving world of the 20th century these words of warning are applicable to the democracies of Europe and America who should waste no time in taking action together, in a united front, to eliminate the present serious threats to world peace and happiness by men both indescribably selfish and immoral.

The present war is not a war of nations but a war between ideals and morals. This should remain foremost in our minds.

The Allies are fighting for the future progress of civilization whereas the Germans are warring for their own personal benefit to the exclusion of all others. It takes no stretch of imagination to realize what the results of a German victory would mean. It need only to be said that each and every man, woman or child would be affected.

If this is true, is it just to argue that the war concerns only the Allies? Is this argument the result of confidence in an eventual Allied victory since we all desire it? If we are to benefit by such a victory; if the world and its future depends upon it—then, we have to share the sufferings and hardships with the Allies and to contribute toward that victory which might settle once and for all our future civilization.

Unfortunately, there are men in the U.S.A. who still believe in isolation and who are doing their utmost to retard the preparedness of that great democracy. Boundaries and oceans do no serve as a justification for this attitude; the rights and interests of man condemn it.

Progress towards a better life depends on the traffic of trade, ideas and culture between continents and various peoples. Can the Americas attain all this alone while the rest of the world is turning the clock back perhaps a thousand years?

We must remain steadfast in our belief that the Allies will win through—let us also hope that victory will be made easier by the co-operation of all good people.

J. P. L.

Shanghai, May 27.

The Oath:

Poem of the Last War

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—During the last war I read the following poem, and again it seems to me to be very appropriate.

K. R.

Shanghai, May 25.

I will not drink from a German cup,
Or eat from a German plate.
I will not deal with a German man
All foul with German hate.

I'll use no drug with a German name,
That's grown on German land.
I'll eat no food and drink no beer
If made by a German hand.

I will not use a German tool,
Razor, or knife, or saw.
I will not trade with a German shop
That lives by the German law.

I will not sail on a German ship,
Where German songs are sung.
I will not breathe where God's clean air
Is soiled by a German tongue.

I will not forget those awful deeds,
To girls and little boys.
No more I'll hang on Christmas trees
Those blood-stained German toys.

I will not take a German's word.
He'll break it if he can.
There is no love in a German heart,
Or faith in a German man.

This is my oath, when war is done.
I'll swear to keep it true.
And since I know you feel the same.
I'll pass it on to you.

—Kenneth Graham Duffield.

Age and Employment:

A Reader's Advice

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In reply to STILL NOT SIXTY I should advise him to get a copy of "The Readers Digest" of February 1940 and read the article on page 16.

Hoping this will help him.

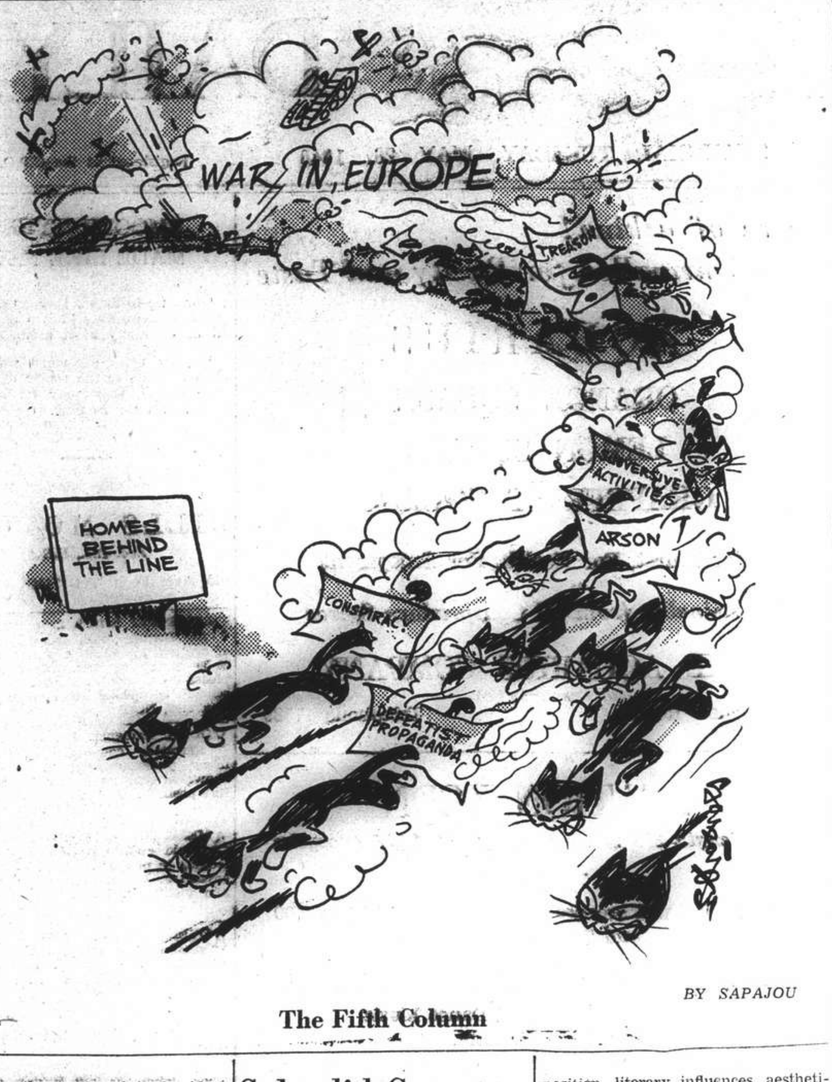
SYMPATHETIC.

Shanghai, May 27.

M. Reynaud Visits London

Paris, May 27.

The Premier, M. Paul Reynaud, visited London yesterday, conferred with the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, and returned to Paris in the evening.—Reuter.



BY SAPAJOU

The Fifth Column

Splendid Concert At Lyceum

Conclusion Brought to Tschaikowsky Festival; Strings in Evidence

With the concert on Sunday, there was brought to a conclusion the Tschaikowsky Centenary Festival, and the 21st season of the Municipal Orchestra. From the reception given to the former, it is plain that the two musical programmes and the ballet were a marked success. To the critic certain of the means were perhaps more interesting, and potentially valuable, than the ends themselves. This may be regarded rather as putting the cart before the horse, but it remains a significant fact that whilst the orchestra has played the Sixth Symphony of Tschaikowsky many times in the past, it has never sounded so well as it did on Sunday. The reason is plain: for once the orchestra's normal deficiency in strings was made up. There were double the number of violins; and the result was as astonishing as it was gratifying—a balanced symphony. Or to be irritatingly exact, it was largely so, for there were times when the massed voices of the strings could have been subordinated to the rest of the text. For the rest, the symphony was played with zeal, and some unfortunately pronounced slips.

But that is all by the way. The essential point is that the orchestra was adequately supplied with strings, which is only another way of saying that to the melodic line, there was given the phrasing, sonority and significance it requires. Dare one ask whether this augmentation may be made permanent next season?

Accomplished Soloists

The accomplishments of the two soloists, who appeared on Sunday, are so well known and appreciated in this town, that words of praise from the critic seem unnecessary. Mr. Foa and Mr. Havsky played the violin and piano concerto respectively, with incomparable grace and brilliance.

Now for a word or two about the composer himself. Mention has been made recently in this column that one of Tschaikowsky's chief merits as a musician lies in his exceptional gift for writing tunes, remarkable for their beauty, their quality and variety. It has just occurred that as this is undeniably so, a critic is, to a great extent relieved of his duties, or at least that part which claims the status of a "musicologist," as it is impossible to write in a descriptive or informative manner about a tune, even if you promote its title to melody or aria, for the good reason that a genuinely inspired tune says all that need and can be said, in its own language. Which is rather an important point: the technique of composition, literary influences, aesthetical deductions and comparisons, these provide collectively, the straw from which the critic makes his bricks; the most musical aspects in music cannot be described in words. No prose, however cleverly or feelingly worded, will convey the yearning quality of the love theme in the Romeo and Juliet Fantasy Overture, nor yet the poignancy of the motive in "Francesca da Rimini," to select two tunes at random.

Pathetique Posiscript

It is difficult to close these notes without referring to the Pathetique Symphony's newly-acquired fifth movement, now that it has been decreed that we must all live happily ever after. Excellent, in its way, was the desire of the conductor to extricate us from the slough of dejection into which we had sunk in the last movement of the symphony by playing a rousing mixture of noisy tunes known as the "Marche Slav," wherein the old Russian National Anthem is worked with remarkable contrapuntal skill and is blared forth thunderously and imperiously. The motive is unassailable on the "happy ending" theory, if one believes in that sort of thing, but the position becomes altogether less secure when one of the most typical and personal of Tschaikowsky's utterances, his Sixth Symphony, should immediately be followed by a younger brother of 1812.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF MAY 28, 1870

A meeting of rate-payers in the French settlement was held on the 26th instant, the proceedings at which were remarkably brief. The Report for 1869-70, showing a receipt of Tls. 76,000 and an expenditure of Tls. 74,000 was read; as well as the Budget for 1870-71, showing an estimated receipt of Tls. 80,000 besides a balance of Tls. 8,000 from the previous year, and an estimated outlay of Tls. 85,000 leaving a balance, on March 31, 1871, of Tls. 3,000.

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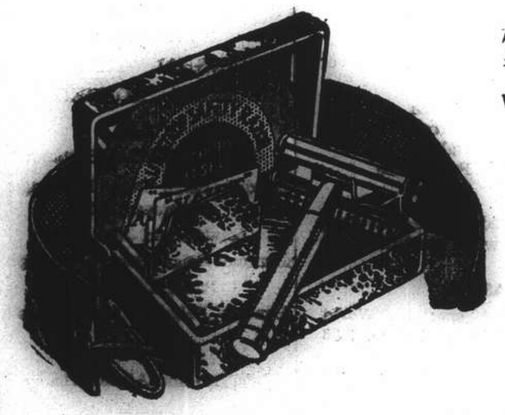

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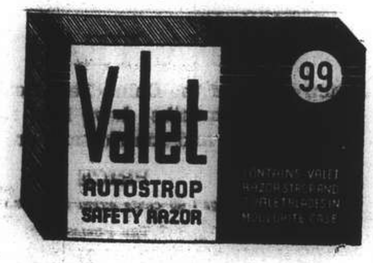

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8 Interview by Mme Sax: "The creation of the Jacquinot Zone" has made a great impression in Switzerland."
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Woman's Page

A LONDON LETTER

By Olive Dun

London, Apr. 29.

So the toilet table and the vanity bag are not to be taxed after all, at least not for the moment. I suppose Sir John Simon thought that he was taking so much off us in other directions that what we had left to spend on beauty aids would not make the sales worth taxing. But what woman of any self-respect would go without her make-up? I remember a large posse of German women coming to London for the great Chinese art exhibition five years ago all as Nature made them, except for their clothes for which it would be unjust to blame Nature. They really did look palæolithic.

However it seems that hair-pins are to be rationed. According to the "Daily Mail" tons of hairpins are lost every week through women leaving hairdressers' shops and retaining the pins "just to keep the curls in place until they're really dry." One Mayfair hairdresser is credited with the statement that he has to buy 1,200,000 hairpins a year. Now with every ounce of metal needed for shells that sort of thing cannot go on. So hairpins are rationed to two-thirds of the 1938 consumption.

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Unwonted Shillings

Sir John Simon's broadcast on the night of his budget showed what a very great advocate he is. Dealing entirely with the need to save and invest in war loans, and obviously addressed to the working classes who are making more money than they ever dreamt of, it was the friendliest and simplest, most persuasive address I have listened to for years.

Who will say it is not needed? In the last war a lady whom I know, visiting a working-class home, found that they had bought a grand piano though no one in the house could play a note. Some days later she went to the house again. The space occupied by the piano was wanted for something else, so they had taken off its legs and leant it up against the wall.

One can easily understand the joy it must be to people who lead very colourless lives to have unexpected money in their pockets and to "spend it like a lord." But Sir John looks ahead to the years of "the poor and ill-favoured kine." Reckless spending now means continually rising prices and the greater slump when peace returns, which in any case must check the flow of high wages. Against which Sir John sings us the old song, "Put a little bit away, For a rainy day, or you may have cause to repine," in appropriate cockney accent.

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Parable Holds Good

Apropos of money-making here is an extraordinary story from Lambeth. The vicar of St. Philip's wishing to pay off a debt on his church got together 180 of his parishioners, gave them each a shilling, read them the parable of the talents and told them to go and do likewise and come back to him a month later. For his £9 they brought him £62.

Everyone had made some profit, some of them quite a lot. One girl made a cake with her shilling, took it to the office and had a guessing competition as to its weight at 2d. a guess. Another bought soap, did her neighbours' washing, bought more soap with the profits and did more washing and so on. Another, remembering that people often want tooth paste when the shops are shut, bought three 4d. tubes, sold them for 6d. apiece, bought more tubes and sold them, and bought still more and sold them.

It is the sort of story which tempts one to become a shopkeeper, and in due course go bankrupt.

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Art In the Mass

The Royal Academy opens next week and it has become known that a portrait by a girl of 16 (Miss Maureen Burns of Wallasey in Cheshire) will be among the exhibits. According to the papers, she sent the portrait to an agent and then forgot all about it. This alone is almost enough to secure the success of the R.A., which seems to have a quite exceptional talent for publicity, usually by excluding something revolutionary which it ought to have hung, whereupon two or three R.A.'s resign their membership and all Chelsea goes up in the air. But I must not mock at the R.A., being old-fashioned enough to look forward every year to its show.

Among the rebels who have ultimately made their peace with the Academy, Mr. Walter Sickert figures in the new Civil List (with another R.A., Mr. Julius Olsson) for a pension of £170. Picture-making is a risky trade, but one would scarcely have thought that Mr. Sickert, by many accounted the greatest of modern English painters, was in need of a pension—or Mr. Olsson either, whose beautiful studies of the sea and headlands in Cornwall are always fresh and stimulating. Mr. Sickert has been heard to say that he can paint three pictures a week and no picture ought to cost more than 5 guineas. Yet 600 guineas is not unusual for one of his paintings, and in a one-man show that he held last year, he valued 24 pictures at £4,000.

At the age of 80 Mr. Sickert is extraordinarily vigorous. He attributes this to his habit of drinking sour goats' milk every day. Some people might think he was paying rather a high price for his longevity.

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A Great Singer

Luisa Tettrazzini whose death is reported from Milan had as glorious a voice as was ever heard in a woman. I well remember the sensation—the word for once is really appropriate—caused by her first appearance on 1907 at Covent Garden. She had already been enchanting San Francisco for two or three years. Covent Garden in those days set the crown on a singer's fame. Her part was Violetta in "La Traviata" and the house was half empty. But I doubt the story that after the opera she ran to her dressing-room and burst into tears. For the applause was terrific, even the orchestra rose and joined in. Next day wherever one went in London, one heard her wonderful singing talked about. Melba's jealousy was piqued. Violetta was a favourite part of hers, and in a subsequent "all-star" show Melba particularly included one act from "La Traviata." Yet surely Melba's place was well enough assured to have made jealousy needless.

Tetrazzini was essentially a singer of grand opera—Verdi for preference. She never attempted Wagner, and now that time has smoothed out old rivalries and enables us to see things in proper proportion, one feels she did wisely. She understood how to get every ounce of emotion from Verdi and certainly no one ever wrote more dramatic music than he did. Tetrazzini was neither beautiful nor of imposing figure. But she had a vivid personality and this matchless voice, and what can one ask more. She is said to have made £1,000,000 by her singing, which with the money to be got from gramaphone records may very well be true.

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On Violins

Another death in the musical world which ought not to go unnoticed is that of Mr. A. E. Hill, last of the four brothers in the famous firm of violin-makers and dealers in New Bond Street. His family, by the way, have been carrying on the famous profession for over 200 years. As a youth, after being apprenticed to his father, Hill went to France to study the making of violins at Mirecourt. But he was more than a fine craftsman. He studied the history of violin-making and became the greatest living authority on the subject. He wrote several books on the subject, which rank among the best literature on stringed instruments. And it was through him that some of the most famous violins by Stradivarius and Guarnerius were acquired in this country.

Among them was Stradivarius's masterpiece "Le Messie," made in 1716, 20 years before his death. Early in the 19th century this violin vanished for over 30 years, during which it was never played on, but lay hidden in a farmhouse near Milan, whence it was produced by a rusty old peddler named Tarisia, who had a sort of truffle-dog instinct for sniffing out fine violins in forgotten corners. Though so long untouched, the tone of "Le Messie" when played on again was as pure and strong as ever. Now it lies in the Ashmolean at Oxford cooped up in a glass case like Paganini's Guarnerius in the museum at Genoa. It seems sad that the greatness of these two violins should actually condemn them never to give out the voice which made them so great.

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A. T. S. Incidents

Queen Mary, inspecting a company of Auxiliary Transport Service Girls the other day, told them she was sorry to say that the King did not like their caps. "I think the brim ought to be more off the face." Not everyone agrees with this dictum. The day after I had read about it I sat behind an A.T.S. girl in a bus and thought it rather becoming. The top is soft and loose, there is a flat turn-up band below which can be turned down in the rain, and the large slightly curved peak is well designed to shade the eyes in driving. But when Royalty disapproves, something has to be done about it.

The life of an A. T. S. girl may be pretty hard, but it has its humorous side. I heard of one girl recently (the daughter of some friends of ours) who was kept driving an elderly general about from lunchtime till late at night. He kept her waiting endlessly at the places he visited, but never thought to give her any time off for a meal; a mouthful of tea was all she got.

About midnight she drove him back to barracks, he being sound asleep in the back of the car. Dead with fatigue she drove the car into the garage, locked it up and stumbled off to bed totally forgetting the general. He woke about 2 o'clock but could make nobody hear and there he had to stay till morning!

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

An Efficient Commissariat

Ladies of the British Consulate-General who were in charge of the light breakfast provided for the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides by the United Services Association for last Friday's Empire Day celebrations: (left to right) Mrs. L. H. Lamb, Mrs. H. H. Thomas, Mrs. A. J. Evans, Mrs. W. H. Williams, Mrs. C. H. Haines.

B. W. A.

Tuesday, May 28.—Hospital Aid Department 9 to noon. Sports Section Committee Meeting 10 a.m.

Wednesday, May 29.—Red Cross Work 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. War Work Knitting 9.30 to 12.30 p.m.

Thursday, May 30.—Red Cross Work at 1288 Bubbling Well Road 9 to noon. Executive Committee Meeting 9.30 a.m. (Bye-Laws Report).

Friday, May 31.—Red Cross Work at 1288 Bubbling Well Road 9 to noon.

Saturday June 1.—War Work Knitting 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.

Monday, June 3.—Social Service Board 4.45 p.m.

Members of the Executive Committee are reminded of the meeting on Thursday, May 30, which will be confined to the study of the new Constitution and Bye-Laws. Members are asked to bring their rough proofs with them.

Story of "Comforts For The Troops"

By Reginald Hargreaves

The output of comforts prepared for our fighting Services by a kindly civilian population promises to be even greater in this war than that which marked the years 1914-18. But the Great War was not the earliest occasion on which private benevolence busied itself in supplementing the fighting man's outfit with those little "extras" which add so enormously to his well-being.

In 1745, with the whole country in a turmoil following the southward advance of the Young Pretender, troops were hurried from their London garrison to bar his way. Skimpily clad in uniforms provided by their Colonels—whose principal source of income was the difference between the Government grant for the upkeep of their respective corps and the actual amount expended on them—the men took the field in vile weather none too well provided for. This despite their greatcoats, which had been an official issue since 1685-9.

It was then that certain kindly-disposed Quakers banded together to ensure for "the winter campaigners" an extra flannel waistcoat apiece.

Not to be outdone, the City merchants promptly started a subscription to supply "a set of blankets and palliases for each tent; 30 watch coats"—specially thick, caped greatcoats for use on sentry-go—"to each battalion; and a pair of worsted gloves for every man." Doubtless the men of the Foot Guards and their comrades were duly grateful; for hitherto, although the Cavalry had possessed gauntlets, whatever the weather the Infantry had gone ungloved.

No widespread organization for the fabrication of "comforts" would appear to have come into existence for Wellington's Peninsular campaign although here and there certain regiments benefited by the kindly activities of individual patrons. But once the conditions under which our men were called upon to fight in the Crimea became known, prompt steps were taken to remedy what had become nothing less than a public scandal.

In this good work the lead was taken by Lady Cardigan, wife of that enigmatic Commander of the Light Brigade whose interest in his men was as unwavering as his temper was moody and uncertain.

Scarves and knitted sleeveless waistcoats were shipped overseas in generous quantity; and those waistcoats were promptly given that name of "Cardigan" which they still bear. In the same way, the present-day "cap-comforter" preserves the style and name of the woollen "Balaclava helmet" which brought such welcome protection to the men in the trenches before Sevastopol.

It is in these early efforts to ameliorate the soldier's lot that the vast schemes of contemporary public benevolence may find their modest but soundly built beginnings.

Women Ambulance Drivers for France

Members of the Anglo-French Women's Ambulance Corps are shown just before they sailed from England for duty in France. They are ambulance drivers and will receive additional training in the Marshal Foch Hospital in Paris before being assigned to sectors at the front.

The Norwegians At Home

Pride of Family, Soil and Hearth

"The most fortunate human being is a peasant with good sons and daughters, and six or seven cows; but no more, so that he can work his holding without a stranger's help." Thus spoke General Stenbock to the Swedish king, Charles XII. The remark is indicative of the Norwegian peasant's pride—the bit of soil that is his own.

Unlike the Swedes, who have been part of a powerful State and still possess great wealth and an aristocracy, the Norwegians are essentially peasants. Their traditions are peasant, and their art is mainly peasant's art.

Once, the only opening in their dwelling that gave light and air was the smoke-hole in the turf-covered roof above the open fireplace; when a snowstorm raged outside, the hole had to be covered with animal skins, and the room was only illuminated by the fire. In present times windows are cut into the wooden walls.

Often the peasants have no cows at all, but only a few goats, a little patch of potatoes near the house that may be built overlooking some channel of a fjord, half-way up a mountain, and a boat tied down on the water's edge for fishing.

Hospitable People

They say Norwegian hospitality, which is beyond praise, has its origin in the climate, as during parts of the year it is too cold to stand still for a talk. It certainly is part of the character of the Norwegians, and in the comfortable little hotels of the tourist clubs high up in Norway's Jotunheimen (home of the giants) one is greeted like a guest in a private home. In the evening all the guests sit around the fire like one family.

The reindeer horn above the door, the curiously coloured hand-woven covers and rugs in the "Peisstue," the typical living-room of every Norwegian house, also give the impression of a private home furnished in national taste. The good humour of all these people, even when the weather plays its worst tricks, with fog and rain and cold, is remarkable.

Norwegian honesty has sometimes been called "ridiculous" and "absurd," and certainly it is unusual. No hedges or fences are laid about gardens, vegetable fields, or even orchards and strawberry cultures. No Norwegian, grown-up or child, has been known to steal any fruit from the trees. They had one deplorable experience, though, when a German luxury steamer landed its passengers for a few hours in a fjord!

A tourist recently found herself at ten o'clock on one long midsummer night, exhausted after a walk to a glacier of incredibly blue ice. Having crossed a little lake far away from her hotel, she told the owner of the local motor boat of her destination, envying, meanwhile, the two other passengers just speeding away on their bicycles. "Can you cycle on a man's bicycle?" he asked. "Of course."...."Well. there you are," and he took a new cycle out of a shed. He did not permit her to pay him a penny. "My job is taking people over the lake, not lending bicycles," he said. Not for one moment did he doubt her intention to deposit the bicycle at her hotel.

Reindeer, common in days gone by, migrated farther north when the railways cut through the country. As for the reindeer flower, which is supposed to be their staff of life, it averages about half a stalk to the square acre, but possibly it is possesssed of high nutritious qualities, and a little goes a long way.

They Hasten Slowly

As there are no more reindeer to be used, and not many animals to be hunted for their furs, the Norwegian peasants in the valleys have taken up silver-fox raising, as an additional source of income. All over the country can be seen curious wire nets around small meadows, and small sheds like fowl houses standing in one corner. First, the foxes were only raised to be sold alive to farms outside the country, but now they are bred for their furs. There are about 4,000 fox "farmers" in Norway. Every hotel has one or two of the furs for sale, which cost from five to ten pounds.

A deep love for nature of the Norwegians is combined in a rather wonderful way with a longing for knowledge and an estimation of culture. In the long winter evenings, every peasant takes his books from his shelf and does a good lot of reading and thinking.

The people in the cities are, of course, less characteristically Norwegian and of a more international kind, though how much they honour their tradition is shown by the interest they display in museums. For the beautiful old Viking boat. found some years ago, they built a special wooden house to shelter it as it would not have fitted in anywhere else. National costumes and national dances draw a big crowd every Sunday into the open air "folk museum."

They have a saying "God did not create a hurry" and nothing you can do has any effect in hurrying the Norwegians, but it is quite possible to make them slower by losing one's temper.

Most peculiarly, their Lapps have preserved a culture of their own, as different from the Norwegian culture as from the negro. In the very south of Norway, in the Setesdal, is a branch of Norwegians speaking the language of bygone centuries, dressing in beautiful garments cut according to their ancestors' directions. They have been isolated frim political events and never came in touch with Swedish or Danish invaders. Perhaps thanks to their very isolated geographical position they will also be spared the horrors of the German invasion.

Paint Brushes

If a paint brush has been left with paint on it and allowed to become dry and stiff, it may be cleaned and made fit for use again in the following way. In an old pan or an empty tin heat some vinegar almost to boiling-point. Place the brush in the hot vinegar and keep it simmering for about half an hour. Then wash the brush in hot soapy water.

The Uses of Soda

Scorch-Marks On Linen

With so many mild solvents on the market, the harshness of soda is apt to be overestimated and its sound cleansing qualities overlooked. A jar of it should find a place in every housewife's store-cupboard. A good practice after each washing-up operation is to place a lump of soda over the trap of the sink. Gradually the moisture from the taps will dissolve it, so that the sink pipe is undergoing cleansing treatment continually. At least once a week the sink should be filled with very hot soda water for flushing the pipe. White woodwork will be improved by scrubbing with a bucket of water to which two ounces of soda have been added. Earthenware teapots should be scalded from time to time with hot soda water. The soda will bring bring away staining as brown as tea itself and subsequent pots of tea will be proportionately better in flavour. Stains on plain glass quickly yield to soapsuds to which soda has been added, but this treatment must not be given to ornamental glass or china, for fear of spoiling the surface.

The following mixture will remove scorch-marks from linen: Mix ½ oz soap, 2 oz fuller's earth, and half a pint of vinegar with the juice of two onions. Boil the mixture, and when cool apply some to the scorch-marks, allowing it to dry on. Afterwards wash and rinse well in clean water.

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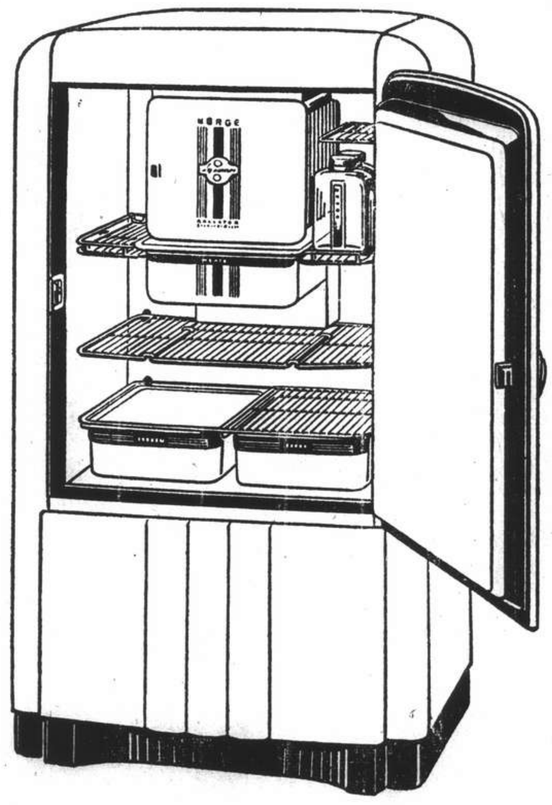

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Spring Yacht Club Races

New Starting Arrangements Welcomed By Members; Splendid Marine Season Anticipated

THE new arrangement whereby racing is started from the Admiral Jellicoe moored off the oil installations in the Astrea Channel instead of starting from the crowded anchorage at Yangtszepoo is proving very popular.

Most of the skippers and their crews availed themselves of the Club's bus service from Shanghai to a point opposite the Jellicoe on the Woosung Road, left Shanghai on Saturday afternoon and slept aboard their Yachts and were up betimes for the early start from Admiral Jellicoe on Sunday morning. There was a fair turn out. It was a run down the Astrea Channel and a reach out to the Lismore and Quarantine buoys which were left to starboard.

Ingomar took the lead as usual followed by Mignon in close attendance with rest of the fleet close behind. Once out in the Yangtze the wind freshened but it was by no means rough. The fishing junks were reached without a tack and from there two tacks brought most of the yachts to Blockhouse. Ingomar was first round the mark followed closely by Valerie, Mignon and Seagull. Viking was a long way behind and nothing was seen of Ella until returning into the Whangpoo where she was found struggling against the tide under jury rig having been dismasted out at the Quarantine buoy. It was a run back up the Yangtze along the Pootung shore where the four leading yachts yawed about in an alarming manner.

A ding dong race ensued Ingomar giving up her lead to Seagull which forged ahead under a full spread of canvas.

Once back in the Whangpoo, the position was reversed and after Ingomar had recovered from running aground the two racing machines drew ahead in the beat-up the Astrea Channel against the tide leaving Seagull and Mignon well behind, however all the four leading yachts finished within 10 minutes of each other. Mignon saving her time on handicap thus getting first place.

The order of finishing times were as follows:

Yacht	Time	Corrected Position
Valerie, V. Sasson	3.56.29	4
Ingomar, J. Hart	3.57.48	3
Seagull, R. L. Evans	3.52.54	2
Mignon, J. Dalton	3.45.22	1
Viking, N. B. Stalb	4.10.15	5
Ella, J. Blakelock	—	

Cruiser Race

The cruisers got away to a very ragged start in the first leg of the Gae Challenge Cup, the Jennifer being the only yacht to get away anywhere near the drop of the flag. She was followed by Thais, Kert, Pinafore and Undine. At Chang wah pang the Undine, although nearly five minutes late on the start, had caught the rest and round Lismore led the race with Jennifer, Pinafore, Kert and Thais following.

Out in the Yangtze the wind freshened from the south and the Thais after crossing tacks with the Kert eventually forged ahead at Blockhouse. By this time the lop was beginning to rise, however, but nothing serious was experienced and all yachts rounded south-east Knoll without mishap.

Once in the Whangpoo with a beat against the last of the ebb, the race slowed down considerably, but there was no further change in the order.

Elapsed and corrected times follow:

	hr.m.s.	hr.m.s.
Jennifer (R. Lock)	5 52 47	5 01 07
Pinafore (E. C. Davis)	5 47 59	5 09 14
Undine (H. M. Mann)	5 33 35	5 15 30
Kert (W. D. Neil)	6 14 09	5 35 24
Thais (W. Hamilton)	6 17 37	5 51 47

First Astrea Series "A" Class

On the previous Sunday there were two triangular races off the Admiral Jellicoe constituting the first Astrea Series which should prove very popular this season.

The morning's race was down river round the Forts Buoy and back, whereas in the afternoon only a short race was held round No. 5 Buoy in the Astrea Channel and back.

The following are the details:

Yacht	Corrected Time	Position
Ingomar, J. Hart	2.20.32	1
Mignon, J. Daltors	2.32.09	2
Seagull, R. L. Evans	2.49.05	3
Valerie, V. Sassoon	3.25.42	4

AFTERNOON JAUNT

Ingomar, J. Hart	0.48.40	1
Seagull, R. L. Evans	0.51.28	3
Mignon, J. Daltors	0.51.01	2
Valerie, V. Sassoon	scratch	

"C" Class Racing On Sunday

Remarkably Close Runs By Seven of Nine Yachts; Fast Time For Course

The official start of "C" Class Racing on Sunday brought a turnout of nine yachts for the first ordinary race, sailed in two legs. In the morning the course was down river to Admiral Jellicoe from the Slipway line Yangtszepoo with a light following wind. Yachts got away to a good start at 10 a.m. and a remarkably close race ensued with only 1½ minutes in between the finishing times of the first seven yachts home. The course involved three gybes, the last of which off No. 4 Astrea buoy brought trouble to Daphne which had led up to that point. She made a bad gybe, was passed by Zuleika and only just held on to second place by one second from Bridget, Zuleika got home first by ten seconds and the remainder of the fleet followed hard on Bridget's heels. The time—51 seconds—is fast for this course.

Daphne Takes Honours

During lunch the wind freshened considerably and by 2.30 p.m. was blowing strongly enough from the south to cause a sharp lop against the flood so that two skippers took in a reef. A long triangular course taking in Astrea buoys 3 and 2, the houseboat Pursuit and Customs' buoy No. 3, was started at 2.40 p.m., up river first on a dead beat round No. 3 Astrea to starboard. Daphne managed to hit the narrow starting line at the bell on the starboard tack and caught most of the fleet on the port tack. This advantage stood her in good stead, for though threatened by Catherine which actually was first round the first buoy, she pulled away on the run down river when Catherine's reef slowed the latter down considerably, and was afterwards never seriously threatened.

Catherine Challenged

A splendid race toog place for the next four places and Catherine fought off a challenge by Zuleika for second place thanks to the skipper of the latter momentarily forgetting the course instructions. Once again only 60 seconds elapsed between the second and fifth yachts home, and the fleet as a whole is evidently very evenly matched. Sun Lee sailed by K. F. Piper, whose return to the Class is welcome, found the heavy going of the afternoon rather too much, and indeed there were plenty of wet crews demanding a change of clothing.

On aggregate points Daphne just rwon the event followed by Zuleika and Catherine. Detailed results were:

	Final Placing Pos.	Pts.
Daphne, D. Webb	1	14¼
Zuleika, J. C. Clavering	2	13
Catherine, H. R. O. Edmonds	3	12
Bridget, R. P. M. Mann	4	11
Mignonette, J. H. Ford	5	10
Dorothy, J. D. Riddell	6	9
Eileen, J. Berents	7	8
Sun Lee, K. F. Piper	8	7
Leda, J. S. Kenyon	9	6

Shanghai Golf Club

The June Monthly Cup will be played for on Saturday and Sunday at Seekingjao—Conditions 18 Holes Medal, "A" Class Scr. to 12, "B" Class 13 to 24.

Four Ball Cup

Entries will close on May 31. Members wishing to enter, and requiring partners please telephone secretary's office on or before above date.

Maeki's World Records

London, May 27.

It is now announced that Taisto Maeki, the Finnish runner, who finished third to Gregory Rice and Donald Lash in the big three-mile indoor race in New York recently, broke the world indoor records for 2½ miles and 2¾ miles.

His times of 11 min. 40⅝ sec. and 12 min. 51-9/10 sec. beat the records held by William Ritola since 1925.—Reuter.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Russian Athletic Association Function

The committee of the Sokol Sporting Organization, which celebrated its 10th anniversary on Sunday, with Mr. B. A. Romani, president of the body, second from the right in the first row.

Boston Still on Top

Cleveland Makes Bid for Honours; Brooklyn Heads National League By Small Margin

New York, May 26.

LEO Durocher's "Daffy Dodgers" surveyed the world again from atop the National League ladder today and all was well at least from the Brooklyn point of view. For the few decimal points protecting their lead from the Cincinnati Reds remained intact following a 2 to 1 victory by the Dodgers over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Harold "Red" Reese was the hero of the Dodger victory today. The Phillies scored first in the second inning but the Dodgers came back in their half of the ninth inning to tie the score at one-all.

Going into the tenth inning, Reese drove a fast one thrown by Kirby Higbe out of the ball park for his first home run during his short major league career. The blow gave the Dodgers a one run lead which they protected well behind the hurling of Vito Tamulis.

Grimly Held

The Reds, however, hung grimly on to the Dodger coat tails by beating the St. Louis Cardinals 4 to 0 behind the one-hit pitching of Paul Derringer. Frank McCormick, Red outfielder, started the scoring off for the Reds in the first inning when he singled, sending Linus Frey across the platter. McCormick later scored in the same inning after which the Reds added one more in the fourth and fifth innings.

The Pittsburgh Pirates, league tail-enders, shoved the Chicago Cubs into fourth place with a rousing 3 to 2 win in a pitchers' battle between Bill Lee and Bob Klinger. Klinger gave the Cubs six hits while Lee held the Pirates to four scratch hits.

The Cubs lost the game through misplay, making three errors in vital moments. The Pirates chalked up an early lead by scoring once in the first inning, but the Cubs came back to tie it up at one-all. The Pirates added another tally in their half of the sixth, taking the lead at 2-1.

In the crucial seventh, Frank Gustine was walked by Lee and then stole second. Consecutive wild throws by Lee and Glen Russel sent him round the third and across home plate in a wild cloud of dust. The Cubs managed to get one more run in their half of the eighth inning but could not overcome the two run lead held by the Pirates.

New York Giants Win

The New York Giants moved ahead of the Cubs and into third place by beating the Boston Bees, 10-8 in a wild slugging contest in which the Giants used four pitchers and the Bees five.

Big Harry Danning, Giant catcher, and Alban Glossop smashed out home runs in the fifth inning to give the Giants a lead the Bees could not overtake. Danning was the siege gun of the giant attack, connecting for two home runs during the game.

In the American League, the Boston Red Sox kept their one-game lead over the Cleveland Indians intact when the Indians split a double-header with St. Louis, although the New York Yankees clubbed out a 7-2 win over Joe Cronin's boys.

The Yankees took an early 1-0 lead in the third inning and added two more in the sixth inning and another in the seventh. The Red Sox showed their only spark of the day when they got one run in each of the seventh and eighth innings, but the Yankees came through with three tallies in their half of the eighth to win easily.

Charlie Keller, Yankee outfielder, went great guns for Joe McCarthy's boys. He smashed out a four-bagger in the seventh inning and with the bases loaded in the eighth drove out a screaming double against the outfield boards to sent three men across home plate.

St. Louis blasted out against the Cleveland Indians in the opening game of the double-header, pulling in a 5-3 win. The Browns made their fourth big inning when Walter Judnich smacked one on the nose for a home run to start a five run rally. The Indians came back with two runs in the sixth and one in the ninth, but were not good enough to overcome the five run lead.

Indian Beat Browns

In the second game the Indians pounded on the browns for a smashing 13-1 victory behind the seven-hit pitching of Al Milner.

The Washington Senators moved up into fourth place in American League standings by trouncing the Philadelphia Atheltics, 4-3, in a ten-inning game.

The Senators moved ahead early by getting three runs in the first inning but the Athletics gradually moved back by getting one tally in the third and two in the sixth. With the game tied up at three-all in the tenth, Johnny Welaj, outfielder, conneced with one of George Caster's offerings for a four bagger to put the game on ice.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
New York	7	10	0
Boston	2	9	1
Batteries: Pearson, Murphy and Dickey; Hash, Dickman, Harris and Desautels.			
Cleveland	3	11	0
St. Louis	5	12	0
Opener			
Batteries: Harder, Dobson, Smith and Hemsley; Bildilli, Harris and Swift.			
Cleveland	13	10	0
St. Louis	1	7	3
Nightcap			
Batteries: Milnar and Pytlak; Mills, Niggeling, Trotter, Cox and Susce.			
Philadelphia	3	5	0
Washington	4	10	1
10 innings			
Batteries: Caster and Brucker; Hudson and Ferrell.			

Chicago-Detroit rained out.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Brooklyn	2	4	1
Philadelphia	1	6	0
Batteries: Hamlin, Tamulis and Franks; Higbe and Atwood.			
Chicago	2	6	3
Pittsburgh	3	5	0
Batteries: Lee and Todd; Klinger and Davis.			
Boston	8	12	0
New York	10	11	0
Batteries: Strincevitch, Piechota, Coffman, Sullivan, Barnicie and Lopez, Schumacher, Brown, Melton and Danning.			
St. Louis	0	1	1
Cincinnati	4	11	1
Batteries: Cooper, Davis and Owen; Derringer and Lombardi.			

Official Statistics

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	17	9	.654
Cleveland	19	11	.633
Detroit	16	14	.533
Washington	15	15	.500
Chicago	14	17	.452
New York	13	16	.448
Philadelphia	12	18	.400
St. Louis	11	17	.393

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Brooklyn	19	8	.704
Cincinnati	20	9	.690
New York	17	11	.607
Chicago	16	15	.516
Philadelphia	10	14	.417
Boston	8	16	.333
St. Louis	9	19	.321
Pittsburgh	8	17	.320

—United Press.

Hongkew Golf Club Official Opening

More Than 100 Guests Support Members At Hongkew Park

The Hongkew Golf Club held the official opening of their 1940 lawn bowls season on Sunday with a record attendance of ladies, members and their guests. A special bus service conveyed 60 ladies and members to Hongkew Park.

A pick-up rink game of fifteen ends preceded lunch which was served at 1 p.m. and 70 ladies, members and their guests consumed a hearty home-made meal prepared by Mrs. Augusto Sequeira.

In the afternoon, rink games were held, and the bowlers contested for spoons presented by the Committee. The conditions being sealed, the keenness and play of the bowlers were of the highest standard, and the competition was won by Carlos Sequeria's four, who registered 25 shots, the sealed condition being the rink or pair registering the score nearest to 25 shots to win the coveted Club spoons.

By 4.30 p.m. the attendance passed well over the century mark, and tea was served in relays which all present enjoyed. Late in the afternoon, due to the absence of Mr. C. A. Pereira, who left early on account of business, Carlos Sequeira, club captain, thanked the ladies, guests and members for their attendance; "without you," he concluded, "the Club's official opening could never have been such a success."

Results of Games

The results follow:—

C. M. Sequeira		A. M. Gutierrez	
L. A. M. Ozorio		A. H. Corveth	
A. Souza		F. Rodrigues	
J. Rocha	25	F. Sousa	19
C. A. Pereira		C. Silva	
J. M. Sequeira		E. C. J. Pereira	
A. Jesus		J. M. Remedios	
C. G. Silva	19	G. George	21
J. J. Souza		A. Portaria	
A. A. Assis		A. P. Roza	
A. L. Barrera		J. M. Gonsalves	
F. Skinner	23	O. Holmes	21
A. E. Collins		J. Rivero	
A. F. Diniz	30	C. M. Gonsalves	15

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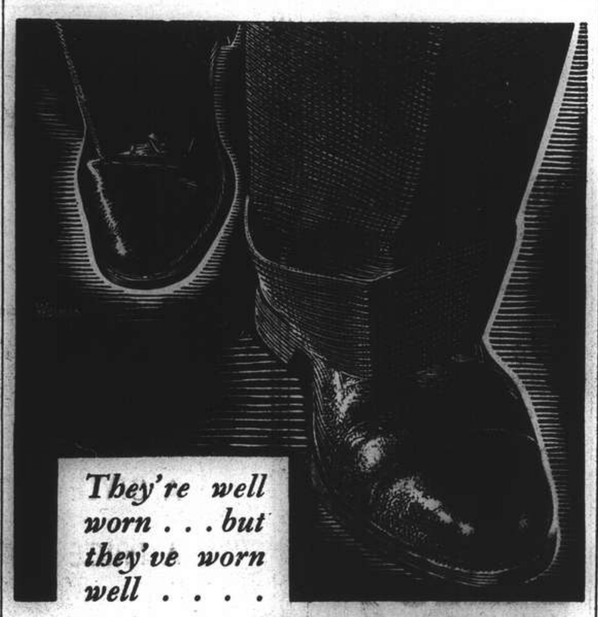
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Japanese Action in N.E.I. Urged By Businessmen

"Japan Times" States Islands Cannot Adopt Any Policy Except Allied; Trade Question

Tokyo, May 27.

SINCE it would be impossible for the Netherlands East Indies to adopt any policy in defiance of British wishes, the Japanese Government, despite the assurances given by the Netherlands as to the *status quo* of the islands, must act promptly to safeguard Japan's interests in the south-eastern Pacific, it is held in business circles in Tokyo, says the "Japan Times."

Tokyo has been carefully watching developments in the East Indies issue and the Japanese public, as one man, has been giving full support to the Government in strengthening internal solidarity on the matter. In economic circles, the following view is being expressed, the paper declares:

"The expansion and intensification of the present war has caused the belligerents to disregard the neutrality of other Powers, and it has become increasingly difficult to maintain a "hands-off" policy. In order to conserve war materials, the belligerents are prohibiting or severely restricting the exports of important materials from their countries and their colonies, while such neutrals as the United States are increasing their armaments at a feverish pace.

Trade Relations

"The Soviet Union is actively endeavouring to import materials from Central Europe and the Near East. Such neutrals are as anxious as the belligerents to increase their armaments, to lay in huge stock of materials and to augment their national strengths. Italy is now a nation on a wartime system, using all available materials for munition purposes.

"The importance of trade relations with the Netherlands East Indies and the United States to Japan is obvious in such circumstances and it is only natural that the Japanese Government and Navy should be resolved to protect Japan's trade rights in the East Indies.

"The high-pressure arming of the Soviet Union and the United States, considered in conjunction with the fact that the European war is believed likely to end sooner than expected, must persuade the Japanese Government that some prompt action is necessary to cope with the possible situation arising after the war, those circles declare. The vital question in this connection is a speedy completion of the East Asia economic confederacy comprising Japan, Manchukuo, China and South-Eastern Pacific.

British Protection

"At present, the Netherlands East Indies is professing a policy of maintaining the *status quo*, but since the Netherlands itself is now under the protection of Britain, it is not likely that the islands can adopt any foreign policy contrary to the policy of the Anglo-French alliance.

"The Dutch East Indies is bound to give priority to Britain and France in the supply of tin, oil, rubber and other vital munition materials.

"Labour power, skill and development materials will also be short in the Dutch East Indies in consequence of supplying munition materials to the Allies. This must entail a visible decrease in the absolute quantity of production of such materials, so that it will not be possible for the Dutch East Indies to maintain its present volume of trade with Japan, or other countries for that matter.

"A Positive Tinge"

"Moreover, British activities in the East Indies have of late taken on a positive tinge. For instance, the British Far Eastern air force has been strengthened. Two flying companies which were to have been stationed in the Punjab, India, and one in the Near East, have been added to the Far Eastern air force in view of the East Indies issue. There are already in Singapore five flying companies of scouting and fighting planes and 13 companies of bombers and fighters, not to speak of two companies of training planes. The aircraft-carrier Eagle is also at Singapore.

"In these circumstances, the British are likely to grow increasingly positive in their actions in the Netherlands East Indies until it will no longer be possible for Japan to stand by." The newspaper adds: "Prompt action, therefore, on the part of the Government is being urged in business circles."—Reuter.

Non-Involvement Policy

Tokyo, May 27.

Japan is pursuing a policy of non-involvement in the European War and is taking sides with neither Germany nor the Allies, the Japanese Foreign Office spokesman said here today.

He said he did not believe that the Japanese Government would abandon its present neutrality policy which, he said, was manifested in Japan's desire to see the *status quo* of the Netherlands East Indies preserved.

The spokesman said that although it was impossible to predict any country's policy far into the future, Japan was following the non-intervention policy in an effort to speed up the settlement of the war in China.—United Press.

Thousand More Planes May Decide Battle

French General Broadcasts To United States

Paris, May 27.

One thousand additional planes for the Allied air forces now might be the turning point in the European war, General Jacques Aldebert de Chambrun said last night in an international broadcast to the American Legion.

Expressing the hope that the American Great War generals, John J. Pershing, Charles G. Dawes and James G. Harbord, could recognize his voice, the French general said it looked as if the Allied line in France was holding. He emphasized, however, that a continuous supply of material would be vital for an Allied victory.

"The situation is well in hand," he said, "but if we had the necessary planes we might say already that the enemy's attack has failed."

Gen. de Chambrun was born in Washington 67 years ago.—United Press.

Tientsin Subscribes to Armament Bonds

Tientsin, May 26.

The French Municipality here decided today to subscribe 1,000,000 francs to French armament bonds.—Havas.

Germany Sends 200,000 Citizens to Poland

Over Million Poles Sent To Reich to Labour

London, May 26.

Between 150,000 and 200,000 German farmers, mainly natives of south-western Germany, have been transplanted to occupied Poland, and approximately 1,000,000 Poles have been sent to Germany for labour service, the "Economist" reports.

All lands previously belonging to Polish citizens have now been declared to be the property of the state and a portion has been placed at the disposal of the German peasant newcomers. Poland, the "Economist" states, has had to deliver 80 per cent. of her harvest of cereals, wheat and potatoes to Germany.

The German authorities have been so rigorous in their clean-up of Polish food supplies that the Cracow region, known before the war as an essentially agricultural area, lately had actually to import cereals from the Reich to avert an immediate famine.

The prevalent shortage of food in Poland is clearly reflected in the steep rise of prices throughout the country. In Warsaw, for instance, bread is now three zlotys a pound as compared to the pre-war price of .16 zlotys. Potatoes today cost 50 zlotys for 100 pounds as compared to 2½ zlotys before the war. Butter has risen from 1.75 to 30 zlotys a pound, the "Economist" concludes.—Havas.

Mrs. Roosevelt Appeals For War Fund

"Suffering Brought by Forces We Must Try to Defeat"

Washington, May 27.

Broadcasting a nation-wide appeal on behalf of the Red Cross war relief fund, Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt, wife of the President, said: "If we turn away from the need of others we align ourselves with those forces which are bringing about this suffering and which we must eventually try to defeat."

She appealed to Americans to "give as never before."

"One great commandment that religion has given us, 'love thy neighbour as thyself,' has been forgotten," she said.—Reuter.

Martial Law in Hankow French Concession

Hankow, May 27.

Martial law within the French Concession of Hankow has now ceased. This merely means that in future certain additional Concession gates will remain open all night for pedestrians and vehicles.—Reuter.

Americans Advised to Leave Malta

Malta, May 27.

The American Consul yesterday strongly advised Americans to leave Malta for the United States at the earliest possible moment.—Reuter.

Large Scale U.S.A. Army Manoeuvres This Month

70,000 Men to Take Part; New Rifles; Over Million Men Can be Put in Field on Short Notice

New York, May 27.

PRESIDENT Roosevelt's call on the nation for more powerful defences and a stand against "Fifth Column" activities last night coincided with preparations for large-scale Army manœuvres which will begin late this week in Louisiana.

About one-third of the United States Army—new in dress, organization, fighting methods and armaments—will engage in the war games which have been preceded throughout the spring by corps exercises in various parts of the United States.

President Roosevelt watched part of the Fourth Corps manœuvres held in Georgia during the latter part of April. It was believed he referred partially to what he saw in Georgia when he said last night that "Our Army and Navy today are the largest, best equipped and best trained military establishment in the history of the world."

New Equipment

The uniforms now worn by members of the regular army have undergone some drastic changes. The breeches and puttees, displayed by the United States "doughboys" during the last war, have been supplanted by straight long trousers, supplemented by canvas leggings.

Drill routines have also been modernized. Instead of the traditional infantry columns of four, the new drill routine calls for squads of twelve riflemen to march in a line with an arm's length distance between them.

The unwieldy 15,000-man divisions have been eliminated in favour of smaller units of 8,500 men, peace-time strength. In time of war, the manpower of these divisions would be increased to 13,000. Five infantry and one cavalry division have been completely motorized. Half of another cavalry division has been mechanized.

Of the 70,000 troops scheduled to participate in the war cames, 24,000 will be equipped with the new semi-automatic Garand shoulder rifle capable of firing 25 shots a minute.

1,600,000 Men

The rifle, which was standard equipment before the advent of the Garand gun, and which is still being used by the larger portion of the regular army, is capable of firing ten shots a minute. New mortars and field guns, and the latest developments in anti-aircraft armament will have their first large-scale test in the forthcoming manœuvres.

The Army Air Corps has likewise been completely reorganized and possesses planes capable of maximum speeds of 400 miles an hour. With the present production capacity of the United States aircraft industry hovering at about 17,000 planes annually, and prospects of it being increased to 50,000, the United States Army's goal of 30,000 planes seems to be within easy reach, although the War Department has given priority to the Allied orders on a number of types of military aircraft.

As a result of the vast reorganization, carried out chiefly by the Army Chief of Staff, General George C. Marshall, the peace-time strength of the regular Army has been increased to 227,000 men, and can be increased, within a few weeks after mobilization has been decreed, to 1,000,000. The forthcoming large-scale army manœuvres form a parallel to the Navy's war games in the Pacific.

Army officials foresee the defence of Louisiana by a "blue" army against an attack by "red" troops operating from the west, and expect that the manœuvres will yield valuable information regarding the co-operation and comparative strength of various arms.—United Press.

FUNERAL

Mr. Frank Tull

Funeral services for the late Mr. Frank Tull, a member of the China Inland Mission who passed away at the Mission Hospital on Saturday night, were held in the Free Christian Church, Hart Road, yesterday afternoon. The chief mourner was the widow. There was a large attendance of members and friends of the Mission. The services were conducted by Mr. Ernest Weller of the China Inland Mission, assisted by Mr. James Orr and Mr. A. K. Macpherson. Mr. Weller gave a short address in which he referred to Mr. Tull's work for the Mission not only in Shanghai but in various parts of China. A solo was rendered by Miss Peck, Mr. Carver presiding at the organ. Interment took place at the Hungjao Road Cemetery with Mr. Weller conducting the last rites. The coffin was borne to the grave by Dr. Huizenga, Messrs. A. Hayman, F. E. Parry, P. Longden, J. S. Orr and W. McNeil. Among those sending wreaths were:—

G. W. and E. G. Gibb, Fellow Missionaries in the C. I. M. Home, Members of the Shanghai Free Christian Church, Mr. R. O. and Miss V. G. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. N. Viloudaki, the Deacons of the Shanghai Free Christian Church, Friends in the National Bible Society of Scotland, the Members of the Offices and Flats, the Hospital Family, the Stenographers, Missionaries of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, A. and R. Hayman, Young Peoples' Society of the Free Christian Church, Mr. and Mrs. Mussen, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Stacey, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. D. Sallis, the German Children's Hostel, Tuberculosis Hospital, the Western Co., etc.

Messrs. Thomas Macdonald & Co. were in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Plans For 'Non-Violence' Campaign in Burma

Rangoon, May 27.

In an interview with Reuter, Dr. Ba Maw, ex-Premier, revealed that plans for a "non-violence" campaign, in selected and prepared areas in Burma, were discussed at a meeting of the "Supreme Council of Burma Freedom Bloc," held at his residence. He added that Thakin members of the Council, who attended the Ramgarh Congress and later toured India, reported on their visit. After a thorough discussion, the Supreme Council decided to form a Council of Action for drawing up a programme for Burma. A political conference will be convened in Rangoon shortly, when the question of Burma's freedom will form the main topic of discussion.—Reuter.

Red Crosses Attract Nazi Bombers

American Units in France Eliminate Sign

Paris, May 27.

Red crosses painted on the roofs of American ambulances operating in the war zone have been removed.

The American Ambulance Committee states: "All our drivers agree that these red crosses only excite malevolent attention of German fliers. In the last ten days German 'planes have been bombing and machine-gunning our ambulances even when flying as low as sixty feet, when a mistake is out of the question."

There is still no news of two American ambulances which entered Amiens on May 19 when the town was violently bombed.—Reuter.

U.S. Defence Measures May Cut Japan Supplies

Washington, May 27.

Defence requirements of the United States threaten to cut off supplies of war material to Japan, including scrap metal.

Representatives already have agreed to amend the Military Defence Bill authorizing curtailment of military equipment, machinery and munitions.

Passing of the amendment by the Senate is regarded as practically certain.—Reuter.

Belgian Ministers Visit London

London, May 27.

The Belgian Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister and the Ministers of Interior and Defence arrived in London on Saturday. They were met by the Minister of Finance who has been in London a few days.

The Prime Minister, M. Hubert Pierlot, and the Foreign Minister, M. Paul Henri Spaak, visited Lord Halifax, Foreign Secretary and members of the War Cabinet.—Reuter.

New Zealand To Have War Council

Wellington, N.Z., May 27.

The Prime Minister, Mr. P. Fraser, announced the immediate establishment of a War Council to take charge of New Zealand's war activities.

The Council will consist of members of the Cabinet associated in war effort, representatives of the Opposition, industrial employers, trade unions and farmers.—Reuter.

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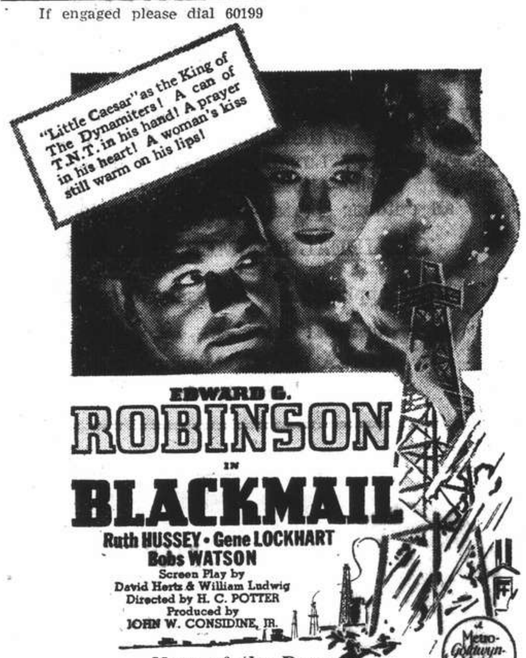

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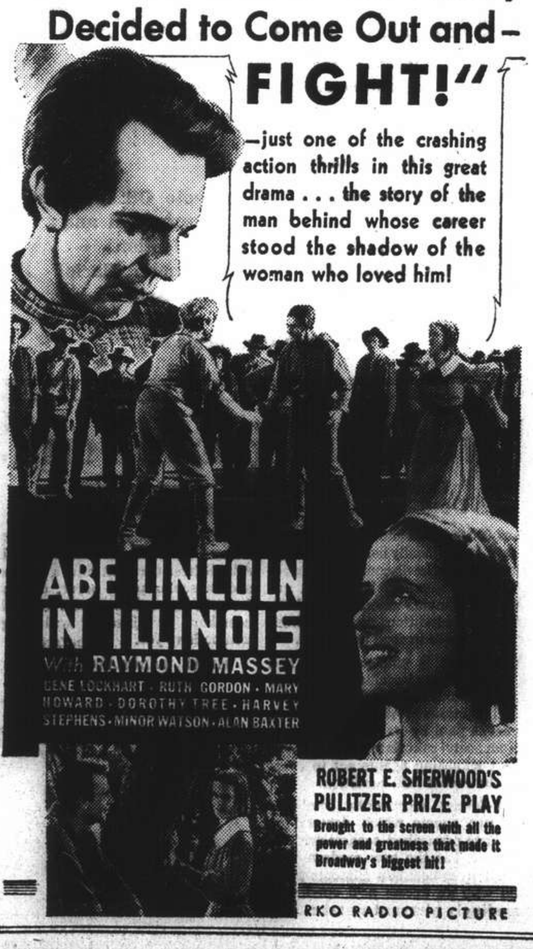

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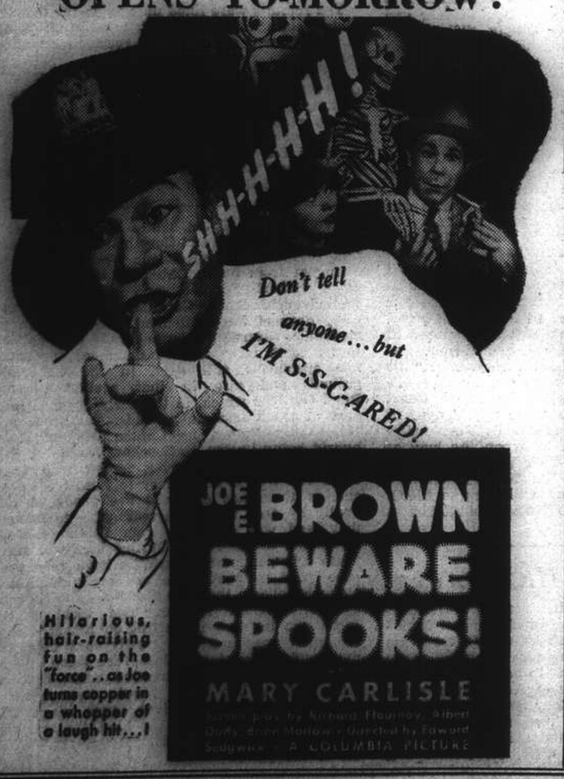

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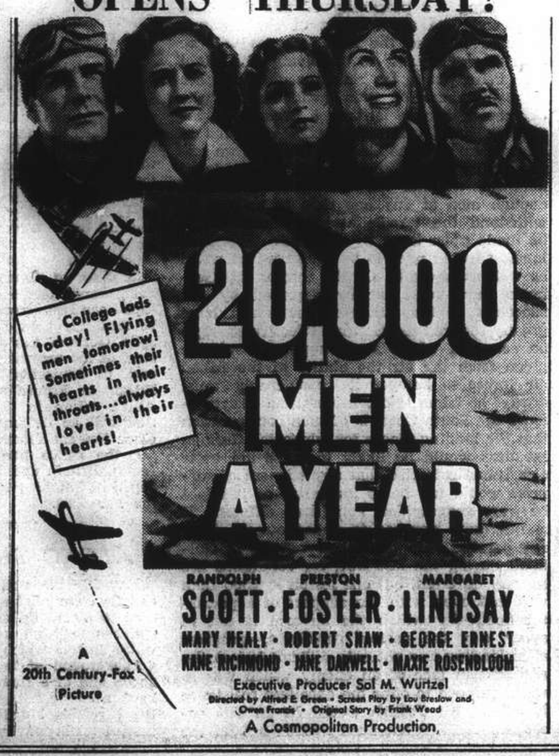

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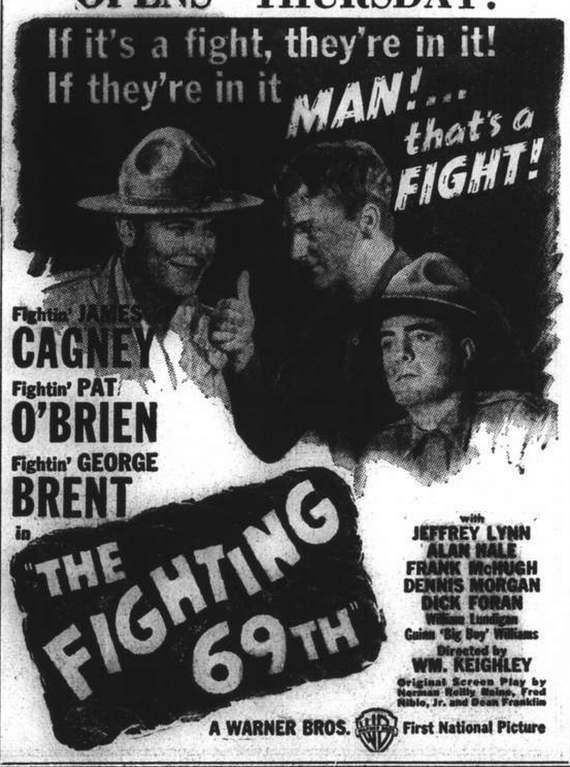

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INVASION OF BRITAIN?

The manner in which the struggle in Flanders is fluctuating is to be seen from the fact that, though over the week-end the Allies appeared to have improved their position somewhat, the capture of Boulogne by the enemy clearly indicates that much will have to be done before the situation can be considered stabilized. Thus, though the Allies have reduced the width of the corridor along which General von Reichenau's army was able to proceed to the Channel coast and northwards to Boulogne, and now have it under artillery control, the situation will not improve until it is finally closed and this particular section of the German forces surrounded, and destroyed. Towards this end the French have been strongly attacking north of the Somme while it is apparent that in addition to forcing his way to Boulogne the German commander has been endeavouring to turn the Allied position in the Bapaume-Cambrai sector with the design of wiping out that salient and thereby stopping the Allied attempts to force their way southwards and effect a junction with the French forces who are struggling towards them. The course of the next few days will show whether they are able to do that, and the reports which have come to hand clearly demonstrate that the enemy is meeting with a stern resistance which is helping to turn the time factor more favourably towards the Allies. The capture of the Channel ports, serious as it is, is not and will not be disastrous unless the Allies in Flanders collapse. There is nothing to indicate any such likelihood and until the Germans can obtain access to the ports by more satisfactory routes than that along the northern bank of the Somme they will not be able to make use of the ports as bases for the onslaught upon Great Britain. The invasion of that country has for centuries been the dream of continental enemies of the British. Phillip of Spain had the idea during the reign of Queen Elizabeth. It was for years the obsession of Napoleon, and is the present craze of Herr Hitler. William the Conqueror was able to do it, but it must be remembered that King Harold was preoccupied in the north of England at the time and it was only by forced marches that he was able to reach Hastings before the Norman invaders had penetrated further inland. In the case of Napoleon it was British sea power which made him continually postpone the intended invasion, and finally robbed him of any chance of success in this direction.

The situation is very different from what it was in those days, but it is generally conceded that, unless Herr Hitler can obtain command of the sea, and the air, the chances of his being able to land and maintain sufficiently large forces in Britain are not very great. It would be necessary for him to free a large section of the English Channel from any danger of Allied attack by sea and air, and before he will be able, to secure that he will have to deal with the combined sea and air forces of the Allies who may be counted upon to place all manner of obstacles in his way. At the same time it is reported that the enemy also contemplates a second invasion using the Norwegian ports as bases. The distances he would have to send his troops across the North Sea and the command which the Allied fleets have over those waters suggests, if anything, that difficult as the Channel passage would undoubtedly be, that from Norway would be even more so. Consequently the massing of transports at Norwegian ports may not mean much for the present, and may turn out to be for the purpose of bringing back some of the German forces in Norway as it was hinted some few days ago the German command was contemplating. Reverting to the plan to invade Britain from the French Channel ports the scheme is not so simple as some of the German enthusiasts would appear to believe. Even if the enemy succeeded in wiping out the Allied forces in Flanders, they would still have along their flank the substantial forces which already are on the line from the Channel in the west to Sedan in the east. The Germans would not only have to secure themselves from offensives from that line, but would find themselves at all times harassed by Allied air attacks at the ports which they would have captured, and which would necessarily be concentration points for the forces destined for Britain. They would thus be considerably exposed to Allied action which could be safely relied upon to inflict the greatest amount of damage possible.

The latest reports from Britain indicate that the Government is by no means minimizing the possibility of this threat of invasion. The appointment of Sir Edmund Ironside to head the Home Forces will be heartily welcomed as involving the right man being put in the right place. There are large numbers of men available for the defence of Great Britain, a substantial air defence and sufficiently large numbers of aircraft to give the German invaders an exceptionally rough time, and it is considered doubtful whether the Germans could land enough men at any one time to be able to withstand the terrific attacks which would be made upon them by all arms. Any such landing would need to be supported by naval as well as aircraft. Of the former the Germans have been largely deprived by the successes of the Allied navies which have greatly reduced the German effective strength on sea, and while some support could be given from the air the ability of the Allied air forces to hamper it considerably must always be taken into consideration. Furthermore the South Coast is of such configuration that the landing places for which the German invaders would be likely to make are quite clearly indicated, so that any element of surprise would not be so important as it might be were geographical conditions different. It is not quite apropos to endeavour to draw any parallel with the Allied venture at Gallipoli during the last war, for conditions are so very different, but one lesson learned then was that even with the support of a powerful fleet,—for which the air-arm is not in every way the perfect substitute,—progress after landing was not only difficult but costly, and that in face of an enemy which was so well equipped to offer the excellent resistance it did, as the British would be on this occasion. All this has been written not for the purpose of showing that a German invasion of Britain is impossible, but to indicate that it is surrounded by difficulties which it might take the Germans considerable time and great effort to overcome. Herr Hitler will endeavour to embark upon it as soon as he may be able to consolidate his position in the French Channel ports. He has not even done that now, and the present battle has not yet decided that he shall. But his overwhelming desire to strike a blow at Britain may tempt him to embark upon another of his wild gambles. They have been rather more successful than is comfortable at the present time, but it is only gambling with the possibility of the luck turning against him at any moment. The elimination of the Allied forces in Flanders, even if he is able to achieve that, would not mean any great simplification of the task, except to make the ports easier of access, and it is because of all these reasons that it is contended that the loss of this present battle by the Allies does not mean their ultimate defeat, though should Herr Hitler lose this first throw his prospects of final victory will be slim in the extreme.

Relief Unit For China

That there is no diminishing of sympathy in Great Britain with China in her sad plight is evidenced by the arrival of a British relief unit of six men in China, two of whom, Messrs. Evert Barger and Philip Wright have arrived in Shanghai. Telegrams passed some time ago between the Shanghai Central Executive Committee of the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China, and Dr. Gordon Thompson in London, and as a result this unit has been sent out from England probably to work at Kweiyang, in Kweichow, under the control of the International Red Cross of China and under the direction of Dr. Tucker. The other four men making up the party are Messrs. Llewelyn Evans, Owen Evans, Wilym Jenkins and Michael Sullivan. These six men gathered together and offered their services to any Christian work anywhere in the world. A committee was then constituted in London, and under its auspices they have been sent out to China. The committee in London holds itself responsible for the maintenance of these men, i.e., their living expenses, and in offering their services it has been presumed that the International Red Cross of China will be responsible for any expenses over and above those cared for by the London committee. The Unit has had quite a reception in Hongkong, including a reception by the Governor, the Chinese Women's Club, the University and other organizations. The advent of these men who have come all this distance with the idea of being of service to China and to help relieving the enormous amount of distress which still exists in the interior is to be taken as a welcome sign of the interest which is still being taken in Britain in the necessity for doing something to alleviate the lot of so many Chinese who are suffering through no fault of their own. So much still remains to be done, that, if it were possible to maintain them, large numbers of other foreign workers would be heartily welcomed in China. In any event the addition of six devoted men to these who are already engaged in this work of mercy is ample indication that China had not been forgotten in Britain, though the attention of that country has been turned to matters much closer home.

China's Fifth Column

When historians come to examine the progress of the present war and assess the importance of the "Fifth Column" to the German attacks, it may be recalled that one of the most successful of all "Fifth Columns" was that employed by the Nationalist troops in China during the advance from Canton which resulted in the unification of the country under the then Nanking Government, and the closing of the era of warlords. Many persons in Shanghai will remember the days of 1927, when "black gown" squads terrorized the city and cooped up the forces of Gen. Chang Chung-chang in the North Station, long before the Nationalist forces actually reached the city. They will also remember that at that time Lord Gort, who was Chief of Staff to the British Commander-in-Chief in Shanghai, risked his life, with Sir Sidney Barton and Father Jacquinot, in rescuing the children from a convent in Chapei at the moment in a most perilous position. The tactics of the Nationalists in 1926 and 1927 in China appear to be very little different from those employed by Hitler and his hordes today in Europe. Agents would go in advance to buy up any influential person they could. Strife was stirred up in factories and public utilities. Attacks by plain-clothes men were organized behind the defenders' lines, and everything possible was done to disorganize the defenders' communications. At that time the Chinese armies had not advanced sufficiently to possess an air force, and therefore there were no parachutists, but in every other respect the activities now being carried out by the German "Fifth Columns" were foreshadowed. The effectiveness of the Chinese methods was proved by the fact that the Nationalist armies had to fight few battles to secure victory. The ground was so well prepared ahead of the armies that the resistance they encountered was negligible. The Chinese "Fifth Column" of those days was undoubtedly inspired by the Communists and was directed by Borodin and his red assistants. But its effectiveness should have been a lesson to the world.

The Netherlands East Indies

Once again, after a period of comparative quietness on the subject, the Japanese press has turned its attention to the Netherlands East Indies. Tokyo businessmen, according to the "Japan Times," are urging prompt action by their country to safeguard vital Japanese interests in the East Indies and south-eastern Pacific which, they believe, are being threatened by Britain, under whose protection the islands are stated to be. The newspaper asserts that the expansion and intensification of the war in Europe has caused the belligerents to disregard the neutrality of other Powers and that it has become increasingly difficult for Japan to maintain a "hands off the Netherlands East Indies" policy. The fear in Japanese business circles, therefore, would appear to be that they see a lucrative trade with the East Indies being cut off by Allied (particularly Britain) action despite assurances by the Allies that the *status quo* of the islands will be respected and maintained by them. If the German Government had given those assurances the fears of these Tokyo businessmen would have been well founded. No other country in the world has shown such a disregard for the neutrality of other States. Today Denmark, Norway, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg, have been ruthlessly violated by Herr Hitler, whose lust for conquest knows no bounds. Luckily, there is little fear of German aggression in the Far East, thanks to the power of the British Navy. Japan can rest assured that Allied promises will be faithfully kept as they were in Europe, despite German lies to the contrary. Since the start of the present war there has not been one case of neutrality violation by either Great Britain or France nor is there any danger of Allied action in the Netherlands East Indies that will be detrimental to Japan. As long as other Powers adhere to their promises regarding the *status quo* of the Netherlands East Indies, Britain and France will keep to theirs. Japan has nothing to fear from Allied action in the Far East.

ALONG THE HIGHWAYS

May 26.—We notice that *Magnolia Delavayi* and its close relative *M. grandiflora* are beginning to bloom in local gardens. Both trees are majestic in form and produce beautiful large white flowers which show to advantage against a background of thick evergreen leaves, shiny above and of a rusty colour beneath. The trees have been described as the most beautiful in the vegetable kingdom and also as one of the most ancient of living trees. *M. Delavayi* is native to S. W. China, while *M. grandiflora* is a native of Georgia and Carolina. We have been told that the first specimens were brought to Shanghai from South China by the noted botanist, Robert Fortune, and planted in the grounds of H.B.M's. Consulate-General in the early days of the Settlement. We are open to correction regarding this; but there does appear to be some truth in the statement for some fine specimens still exist in the Consulate grounds and also in that portion of the Bund Gardens which, in the early days, formed part of the Consulate grounds. The trees are colloquially known as Canton Magnolias: a hybrid being known as Soochow Magnolia, this name means little however, for many hybrids exist. The tree is fairly easy to raise from seed and as thousands of seeds are produced annually by each tree, it is reasonable to assume that seed was collected from Fortune's trees and sown at Soochow. During the past sixty years or so, numerous varieties have been produced and most of these are easily identified by their foliage; they are also not so floriferous as the original species. The local privet *Ligustrum lucidum* is starting to bloom. There are other species grown locally; but they are not sufficiently interesting for these notes. The privet is not unattractive when covered with flowers; but many people remove these owing to the annual privet cough scare. The plant is used as a stock for lilac, the majority of lilacs to be seen in local gardens are grafted on to the privet.—W.J.K.

U.S. LABOUR STRIFE

C.I.O. Supreme in Automotive Industry

Recently in Detroit 137,000 employees of the General Motors Corporation voted their overwhelming preference for the Congress of Industrial Organizations to represent them in their dealings with the corporation. In this, the largest National Labour Relations Board election ever held, the C. I. O. faction of the United Automobile Workers of America settled the issue of supremacy in the automotive field raised by the American Federation of Labour automobile union. Thus ended a dispute of a year's standing since the A. F. L. group broke away from the C. I. O. organization and, under the leadership of Homer Martin, established itself as a rival union.

Admittedly the year has been a costly one to both factions and to the automotive and allied industries. On the one hand, there has been a lack of solidarity in the labour organization at a period in its existence when a strong front was essential to its progress. Financially it suffered, for not only were there costly lawsuits in an effort to settle jurisdictional and factional disputes, but there was a loss of retaining their bargaining rights against the pressure on their potential dues payers.

The industry suffered from these factional disputes through a loss of production, when time after time it was necessary to close down production lines and send workers home because the employer was powerless to deal exclusively in the matter of complaints with a single group. Disregarding the results of the elections in the 61 plants in which small, unimportant craft unions were successful in retaining their bargaining rights against the stronger production and maintenance workers' unions, the voting leaves litue to the A. F. L. faction of the automobile workers.

What does this vote mean to the automotive industry generally? The reaction of manufacturers may be placed in two classes. There are those, particularly the big companies, whose employees already are organized and have contracts. These see little possibility of change as a result of the voting. As one employer expressed it: "They are strong in our plant now. They can't be any stronger."

"Divide and Rule" Principle

The other group consists of those manufacturers who saw hope of beating the unions under the "divide and rule" principle of dual unionism. These, in many cases, are the ones whose plants are not completely organized, or at least not by one union. But now, with the added strength and prestige of the C. I. O., the industry feels they will be the target of a concentrated organizing drive which may lead to some bitter moments before they are through.

"The election will give the C. I. O. boys more money, more political influence," one authority on the industry declared.

On the other hand, he stated, the membership drive that now is imminent may mean further loss of production, the bugbear of industry. The big plants have been through this and so will suffer less than the small fellow, but it follows that if enough of the small fellows, the parts and equipment suppliers are tied up, the big manufacturer will also be affected.

The union membership drive may also have repercussions. Many workers now pay no dues and the question they are apt to ask is "What can the union give us?" These men will have to be handled with kid gloves for the reason that the C. I. O. has felt and will continue to feel the need for careful tactics in order to gain and keep public good-will.

With the question of a divided house largely settled, the C. I. O. faction is now in a position to start on a campaign toward a cherished goal, which is to extend their influence into the Ford Motor Co. the largest unit in the industry where the unions have not obtained a foothold. It is freely predicted that this drive will start before the summer is over.

IN PARENTHESIS

Practice Makes Perfect

DOCTOR: "You cough easier this morning."
Weary Patient: "I ought to; I've been practising all night."

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One Thing at a Time

BOSS: "Look here, Teddy. I wish you would not whistle at work."
Teddy: "I'm not working, I'm only whistling!"

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Peculiar

"SOME people are funny," mused the man in the bar. "I know a man who hadn't kissed his wife for ten years. Then he goes and shoots a fellow who did."

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Right Boy

GOLFER: "Now, I want a boy who can count. Are you good at arithmetic?"
"Yes, sir."
"All right, what's three, six and five?"
"That makes ten, sir."
"Come on! You'll do!"

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Loan of Bats

THE village boys had decided to start a cricket team, and one of their number wrote to the curate to ask his support.

This is how his letter ended:—"And we should be very pleased, sir, if we could have a loan of the bats that the blacksmith says you have in the belfry!"

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Eights are Trumps

THE small Cockneys were having a lesson in arithmetic.

"For instance," said the teacher. "If I cut a potato in halves I get two parts.

"If I cut again, I get four parts."

The class was beginning to take interest.

"Now, if I cut again what shall I get?" asked the teacher.

A hand shot up. "Well?" queried the teacher.

"Chips," was the answer.

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Beau Brummel

THE recruits were lined up outside the quarter bloke's store waiting for their issue of uniforms. A well-dressed young fellow received attention first.

He seemed very fastidious, trying on several of everything. Meanwhile, the others began muttering impatiently. At last the hard-to-please recruit appeared quite satisfied.

"Are you sure everything's all right now?" inquired the Q.M.S. sarcastically.

"No fear," drawled a voice from the queue. "He ain't tried on his water-bottle yet!"

Allied Guns Mow Down Nazi Mass Attacks

German Corpses Piled High in Menin Area; French Evacuate Valenciennes For Prepared Defences on Escaut; Verdun Tactics Repeated

Paris, May 27.

CALAIS was still in French hands at 9 o'clock this morning, it was announced here this afternoon. "In the midst of fierce fighting the Allies are opposing the German advance in the Menin area where, despite tremendous losses, the Germans are hurling wave upon wave of strongly armed effectives," this morning's official General Staff communique announced. The French evacuated Valenciennes last night and took up positions behind the River Escaut, the communique added. There was nothing to report from the remainder of the front, it concluded.

Hurling wave upon wave of troops regardless of losses sustained, the Germans are repeating in Flanders their tactics against Verdun in the Great War, military circles here said today. The German troops are being thrown in compact masses through heavy artillery barrages to face the withering fire of automatic arms, and reveal either inhuman courage or extraordinary passivity. French officers in Upper Argonne saw thousands of German corpses piled up yesterday and watched German troops being literally decimated by machine-guns. They were filled with disgust at the total contempt being revealed by the German High Command for the lives of the German soldiers.

The High Command are evidently determined to submerge enemy positions by sheer weight of numbers.

The main German attack was launched against a sector held by Belgian troops along the Lys River in the direction of Menin, a town on the Franco-Belgian frontier directly north of Lille, and Courtrai.

Until this morning the Germans, despite the gigantic effort unleashed, registered only very small territorial gains after fighting which raged throughout yesterday and last night.

This morning, the fight started again with unabated violence.

Another major German effort was launched today against the Valenciennes area where French troops yesterday repulsed all German attacks and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Owing to their unfavourable position, however, the French soldiers withdrew quietly during the night without being hampered by the enemy and established themselves in new positions.

The withdrawal was ordered by the French High Command as the troops around Valenciennes were too far in front of the main body of the French armies and risked being cut off.

Along the French coast the Germans, after occupying Boulogne whose old fortress held on until yesterday afternoon, are directing their offensive against Calais.

The fall of the latter port was announced in a German radio broadcast yesterday but it was categorically denied in official French quarters this afternoon.

Throughout the remainder of the front, from the Somme to the Rhine, there was nothing of importance to report, although in the Somme area French troops continued to wipe out German detachments with a view to seizing as many bridges as possible.—Havas.

Nazis Pay Dearly for Boulogne

Boulogne, French Channel port, fell to heavy German forces yesterday after fierce street fighting, the French General Staff communique announced last night. "The enemy, who during the last few days had accumulated important means in the Boulogne region," the communique said, "succeeded to seize the town after violent street fighting." The Staff also revealed that ferocious fighting occurred yesterday along the Somme, where the French advanced, and on the northern front. "In latest combats between the Aisne and Meuse Rivers," the communique said, "it has been confirmed, chiefly by prisoners-of-war, that losses inflicted on the enemy by our artillery and our men's automatic arms have been very high. While in action, we found on occasion that whole sections of German infantrymen had been mowed down on the spot. Our fighter aircraft and anti-aircraft defences violently attacked enemy squadrons which attacked our aerodromes, and scattered them after inflicting heavy losses."

Giving more details on operations in the north, despatches from the Havas war correspondent last night stated: "The Germans launched two powerful attacks on both sides of Valenciennes in the morning and fighting raged through the day, continuing till evening when few indications of the final result were available but I have learned that French troops repulsed every German attack and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Apart from this important battle, the day's activities were practically confined to the air. German planes repeatedly bombed the whole northern region, while British and French aircraft attacked German marching columns and other objectives behind German lines."—Havas.

Germans Thrown Back

Paris, May 27.

German attacks on Allied armies in Belgium on Saturday were full-blooded offensives in which artillery, aircraft and tanks participated, states a military spokesman. In an attack on the Lys opposing forces swayed back and forth but finally the original positions were fully maintained, he says. Two other attacks also were launched on fronts six to ten miles wide and both completely failed.

Although secrecy is still maintained regarding Allied operations in Flanders, all newspapers this morning

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Calais Holds Out; Boulogne Falls

French Observers Note Signs of Improvement; Nazi Exhaustion Seen

Paris, May 27.

With the fall of the old Boulogne citadel after a grim battle, the strategic channel port was in complete possession of German forces, French military authorities said today after denying that Calais had fallen. Part of Boulogne was earlier captured by the Germans following terrific street fighting.

Despite terrific aerial attacks by German bombers, the Allies continued to hold the French channel ports of Calais and Dunkirk and the Belgian ports of Ostend and Zeebruge, French authorities said today.

German attacks were repulsed in the northern sector of Flanders and the French gained some advantage in the local fighting which continued in the Somme valley. Steady artillery fire by the French, backed by powerful infantry drives, checked a heavy German assault on Montmedy, French reports from the front said.

Situation Improving

The French, after suffering disconcertment as a result of the blitzkrieg methods, have now fully recovered from the initial surprise and have settled down to stiff opposition, a French military expert revealed. The situation as a whole, however, he admitted, had not become fully re-established and remained serious, although the French were holding their positions everywhere and even dominated the line between the Meuse and Aisne Rivers.

With the German troops spent by the furious opening rush of the blitzrieg, he believed that the Allies in the north could dissipate German hopes of trapping Allied troops in the area, especially if the Allies continued their present staunch resistance and their efforts to close the gap between Bapaume and Peronne.

Some French military experts believed that the Allies in the north would bend their right wing toward the English Channel to achieve a junction with the main French Army in the south and anchor the left wing up the coast as far as possible to form a semi-circular line to protect the channel ports.

Allied Guns Dominate "Gap"

French military reports from Paris said last night that the Allied military situation on the Artois front and along the French coast of the English Channel improved yesterday. The gap in the Allied lines between Bapaume and Peronne on the Artois front was still open last night, but the German corridor to the English Channel was said to be under murderous Allied artillery fire.

Simultaneously, reports of the battles for control of French ports on the English Channel said the situation there had turned somewhat to the Allies' favour, General Walter von Reichenau's main motorized German army was again held at St. Omer and Arras by desperately resisting Allied forces.

Gen. Maxime Weygand, Allied generalissimo who returned from an aeroplane flight over the northern battle areas late yesterday, was said to have been "particularly satisfied with the morale and combative qualities of the northern Allied armies." The troops successfully fought off three major German attacks on Saturday and two more German assaults yesterday.

Lys River Line Unbroken

Gen. Weygand flew across the German corridor yesterday to inspect the Allied armies isolated north of the gap in the Allied front. The troops he inspected refused to yield a foot yesterday on the Lys River front in south-western Belgium where the Germans attempted to drive another wedge through the Allied front.

Allied artillery and aviation took a terrific toll of German dead inside the German pocket and among Gen. von Reichenau's motorized divisions beyond the Artois gap yesterday. German casualties, it was said, were greater in the past 48 hours than at any time in the seventeen days of the German drive toward the English Channel.

French military officers said the casualties the Germans were suffering tended to confirm their contention that Herr Hitler's only orders to the German General Staff were: "Attack without counting the losses."

Gen. von Reichenau's divisions, intent upon staging more lightning raids behind Allied lines, turned northward yesterday beyond Arras. The manœuvre was clearly designed to turn the right flank of the Allied armies in the north.

Five Major Attacks Repulsed

French officers said it was another attempt by the Germans to encircle the Dutch, Belgian, British and French troops isolated north of the

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R.A.F. Fight Off Channel Raiders

Scores of Enemy Craft Downed in Air Battles; Bombers Attacking

London, May 27.

Between 5.30 and 9.30 o'clock yesterday morning Royal Air Force squadrons shot down at least twenty enemy bombers and fighters and put twenty more out of action, the Air Ministry states. There were only five British casualties. A continuous air battle was fought over the French coast between Calais and Dunkirk. Pilots reported that the air was "filled with aircraft."

The Air Ministry announces that "throughout last night heavy bombers of the Royal Air Force continued their attacks on enemy communications. Aerodromes occupied by the enemy, Boulogne and Belgium were also attacked," and "we sustained no losses in these operations."

The Air Ministry further announces that heavy bombers of the R.A.F. carried out further extensive operations against the enemy throughout Saturday night. Targets successfully attacked in the Rhineland included railway junctions, sidings and marshalling yards. Many important objectives on the enemy's lines of communications also were bombed. Dumps were exploded and supply depots set on fire. Two British bombers were lost in these operations.

Medium bombers operating from southern Britain and France again made successful attacks by day and night on enemy armoured vehicles, ammunition dumps and artillery. Four of these aircraft are missing.

Scores of Nazi Craft Downed

Fighter activity was less intense Saturday owing to weather conditions but some twenty enemy aircraft were shot down with the loss of four British fighters. On Sunday more than forty enemy planes were destroyed or seriously damaged while seven British fighters were missing. Four British fighters reported missing on Thursday since have returned safely to their aerodromes in France.

Reconnaissance aircraft of a coastal command found oil tanks in Rotterdam still burning yesterday morning after a recent bombing attack. They took the opportunity to bomb several more and set them afire.

The Air Ministry news service states that troop trains and important railway junctions in northwest Germany and enemy occupied areas were successfully bombed during Friday night's extensive operations.

Attacking the aerodrome at Flushing at midnight, the R.A.F. caused considerable damage to hangars, also dropped incendiary bombs which started many fires. The fires were still burning two hours later.

Bridges over a canal linking the Rivers Meuse and Rhine were bombed from a low altitude and badly damaged. Other aircraft heavily bombed North Geldern, a few miles from Germany, and destroyed a troop train and a supply train. Ten machine-guns on the roof of the troop train opened fire.

Eye-Witness Statement

A member of a bomber crew said: "We ran through a curtain of green tracer bullets and dropped a salvo. The noise was deafening. We saw large bits of the carriage and trucks flying in all directions. The wreckage soon caught fire and shortly afterwards the whole place was ablaze."

Ten miles from Duren thirty vehicles of a motorized column were attacked and completely disorganized. The train was completely wrecked by a bomb on the carriages immediately behind the engine.

Railway junctions were attacked at Jemelle, Libramont and Recogno, where a large explosion followed the bombing of an ammunition dump and a petrol depot. A train was bombed on a viaduct near Namur and a direct hit caused half of it to disappear. Many other convoys were bombed and machine-gunned.

The railway junction at Louvain was set afire and the junction at St. Quentin was heavily bombed. Attacks were made on marshalling yards and aerodromes in Germany.

A pilot who successfully bombed an aerodrome northeast of Dortmund reported on his return that he had seen a blazing fire in the Ruhr, showing that another raider had found the target.

Attacks on Belgian Front

The R.A.F. hit hard on Saturday in a series of daylight raids over a wide area. Bombers attacked pontoon and road bridges along the Belgian front. Two hundred bombs were dropped upon a long column of supply lorries near Boulogne, then the attackers dived to 90 feet, scattered smaller bombs. The main road bridge over the Lys River was demolished and two pontoon bridges were attacked. One was wrecked, the other badly damaged and approaches were blocked.

Large bodies of German troops massing in the rear of the battlefield in Belgium were heavily bombed late in the afternoon.—Reuter.

Third Quarter Tin Quota, 100 Per Cent.

London, May 27.

The International Tin Committee has fixed the quota for the third quarter at 100 per cent.—Reuter.

French Begin Heavy Artillery Duel Near Switzerland

German Villages, Railway Centre Bombarded; Diversionist Drive on Siegfried Line Seen

Berne, May 27.

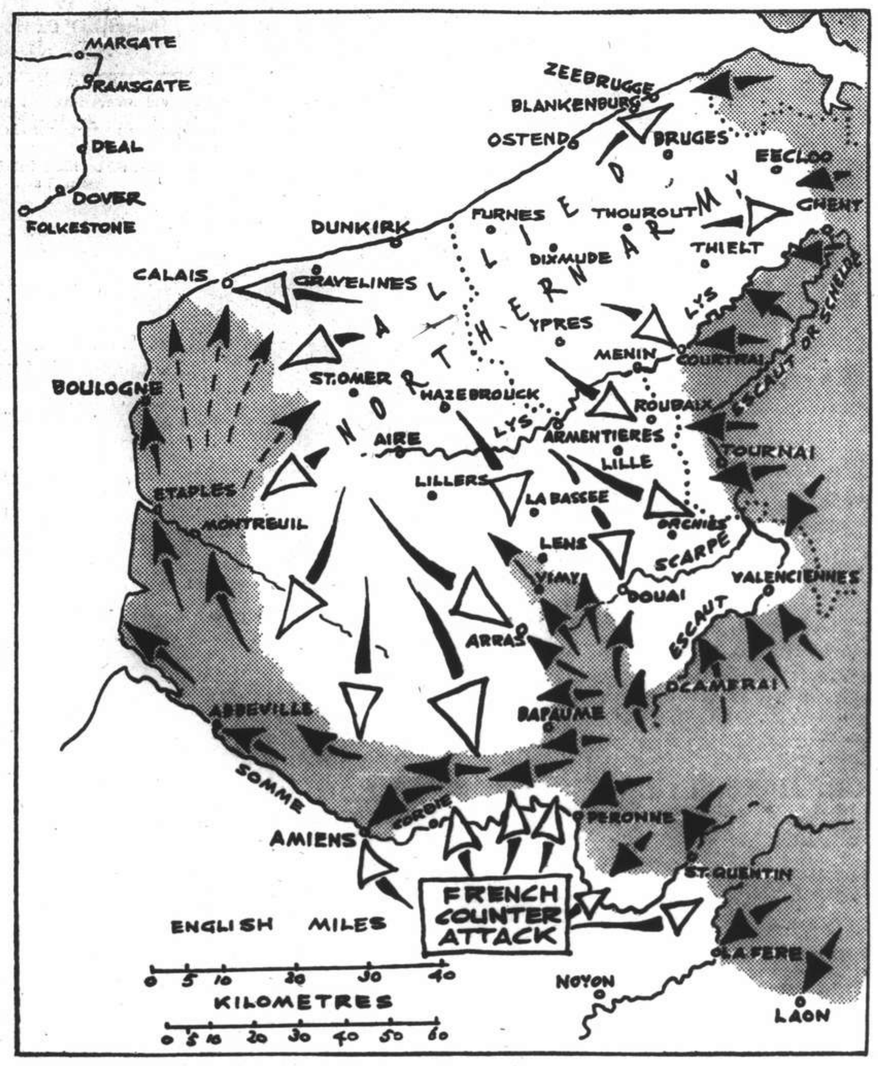
The artillery of the German and French forces lined up on either side of the Rhine north of Basle entered into violent action at 3.30 a.m. on Sunday, the Swiss Telegraph Agency announced today.

The French artillery opened the duel, with the Germans answering almost immediately with heavy guns. The firing continued for some time, with occasional quiet intervals. Shortly after dawn Swiss observers noticed thick smoke rising from a village north of Wentzwiller in Upper Alsace. At 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon French artillery again entered into action, bombing the railway in the village of Badeis north of Basle.—Havas.

Basle, May 27.

Indications of a possible Allied offensive against Germany's Siegfried Line to relieve pressure against the English Channel ports were reported here last night.

The rumble of heavy artillery was audible here as French forces in the Vilkensburg sector, four miles from here, blasted at the Stein section of the Siegfried Line. The village of Efringen was immediately evacuated by the Germans after French artillery had inflicted heavy material damage. The French batteries also shelled the German railway centre at Badenes and the town of Maerkt at the entrance of the Kandern Valley.—United Press.



German Mass Attackers Slaughtered in Menin Area

In the tremendous wave on wave of mass attacks launched by the Germans in the Menin area, Paris military observers discern an attempt to repeat tactics tried at Verdun where the French, under Marshal Petain who today is Vice-Premier in the French War Cabinet, overcame and stopped the German drives. German corpses are being piled high in Flanders by the withering fire of Allied artillery and automatic arms. Calais still holds out but pressure in the Menin area continues while French evacuated Valenciennes to prepared positions on the Escaut River.

Gen. Ironside Heads Home Defence for Britain

Gen. Dill Becomes Chief of Imperial General Staff; Appointments Welcomed By Public

London, May 27.

GENERAL Sir Edmund Ironside has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of Home Defences, and General Sir John Dill, Vice-Chief of the Imperial General Staff, takes his place as Chief of the Imperial General Staff. General Sir Walter Kirke, present Commander-in-Chief of Home Defences, is to retire.

It is explained in well-informed London circles that the changes have been brought about by developments in the military situation and the necessity of placing the defence of Britain against possible invasion, in the strongest possible hands.

It is learned that the appointments of General Ironside and General Dill are proof of the very great importance the Government attaches to perfecting by any means in its power the strength of British home defence.

The question of home defence is now one of paramount importance, Reuter was told in well-informed circles, and General Ironsides' new post is one to which only a soldier who has strategic ability and experience would be appointed.

The idea of an enemy invasion of Great Britain has been so far from reality in the past 100 years that it is necessary to place those defences on an entirely new footing. It is emphasized that General Ironsides' appointment is in no way criticism of the manner in which General Kirke carried out the task.

No Analogy to French Changes

The change in the high command, Reuter is informed, is in no way analagous to the French Army changes announced Saturday night. No one has been "relieved of his command," but the extreme seriousness of the situation as a whole and the rapid growth of the German threat to the Channel ports made it necessary for immediate intensification of action on the home front.

Newspapers here emphasize with satisfaction that the nomination of General Sir Edmund Ironside to the post of Commander-in-Chief of Home Defence indicates the considerable importance that the British Government attaches to home defence.

With regard to the news that fifteen French generals have been relieved of their posts, certain newspapers recall that similar measures were taken by Marshal Joffre shortly before the battle of the Marne.

Attention is paid in British newspapers today to the unanimity of British workers in responding to the appeal of the Government for an acceleration of war industries.

The "Daily Telegraph" says: "In appointing General Sir Edmund Ironside, the Government has recognized the new problems imposed on the country by the appearance of war on the coast of the Channel." The paper insists on the necessity of giving General Ironside large powers, extending to land and air forces.

Warning by "The Times"

"The Times" comments: "It is evident that home defence is by nature a single problem, certainly in what concerns air and land forces. The most urgent necessity at present is probably for close collaboration between the two forces."

"The Times" warns the public against assertions that Germany is now playing all her trump cards. "These reports are often spread by the enemy to deceive us. However, in its largest sense the statement contains a large element of truth. Germany has put forth an effort that even her resources will probably not permit her to maintain long, or repeat on the same scale."

The "News-Chronicle" writes: "The French have been absolutely pitiless in removing military commanders unfitted in these critical moments to fulfil their responsibilities. This attitude is a sign of force rather than of feebleness and is a measure of the resolution of France to march towards victory."—Reuter.

Battle of Flanders Described

French Commentator on Suicidal German Mass Attacks; Allies Firm

Paris, May 27.

"The fighting in the north is increasing in violence," said an official French military commentator today. The battle in Flanders, he said is becoming more and more a battle of extreme stubbornness. The Germans are throwing enormous human and material forces into the fight, regardless of losses and are trying to overwhelm the successive defence lines of the Allies.

The Lys front is taking the brunt of the German assault. Other attacks took place in the region of Valenciennes, where after a successful defence action, the French spontaneously evacuated a sharp salient.

On the Channel coast, the citadel of Boulgone fell late yesterday afternoon, but this morning, Calais was still being held by the French. On the Somme, the French are still continuing their mopping up operations. In the Argonne district, the French recaptured a small piece of ground lost on Saturday. The Germans, it was found, had suffered extraordinarily heavy losses in this sector, although it was only a secondary one.

Germans Sacrificing Lives

In Flanders, the Germans are attacking regardless of human losses, continued the commentator, referring to the offensive launched a couple of days ago on the eastern front, of the group of Allied armies in the north. On this front the German General Staff is repeating the tactics adopted at Verdun in the Great War. Men and material are being hurried forward in ever increasing masses without regard to losses, but with the purpose of obtaining swift decisive results by submerging the Allied defensive positions under the human waves. The German losses, he said, are enormous.

Infantry in field grey are making ceaseless attacks on very wide fronts, with the support of masses of tanks and extremely violent artillery fire. At the same time, German aircraft is machine-gunning and dive-bombing.

British, French and Belgian aircraft are countering these aerial attacks, and a terrific battle is proceeding simulaneously in the air and on the land. On both sides, aircraft are busy attacking and bombing the back areas.

The Allies are concentrating on roads and columns marching up to the lines and bridges in Flanders. The Germans are replying, and are fiercely bombing ports. The roar of aeroplane engines, the bursting of bombs, the clashing of tanks, and the thunder of guns are combining to make the battlefield a defening inferno.

Up to this morning, in spite of this colossal effort, and at the cost of an enormous number of lives, the Germans have only made feeble gains of territory. Last night was the first time, he said, there had been any night fighting on a big scale in this war.—Reuter.

Japan's Appeal to Washington

Philippines Immigration Quota Question Raised "Trojan Horse" Tactics

Washington, May 27.

Political observers are watching with interest for the result of the Japanese appeal to Washington for the use of its influence to secure a bigger immigration quota for Japanese wishing to enter the Philippines.

The Japanese Government says an average of 2,800 Japanese have annually taken up residence in the Philippines in recent years. Legislation in Manila would limit immigration to 500 from any one country in each year. The appeal is made to Washington because the President of the United States has the power to veto any Philippine legislation involving immigration.

The Washington "Post," independent daily, claims that this places Mr. Roosevelt on the horns of a dilemma. It says relations with Japan are not good, and there is much to be said against a course which would subject Japan-American relations to further strain. But, it goes on, it would be invidious for the President to prevent the Philippine Commonwealth putting into effect its immigration legislation.

America long ago set an immigration policy example which Manila has every right to follow, and the Philippine measure does not discriminate, while the American law definitely is discriminatory.

Economic Development

The Washington "Post" points out that the Japanese Ambassador is right in saying that the Japanese have contributed to the economic development of the islands, but "in view of what has happened in Manchoukuo and in Norway, the Filipinos can be excused for wondering whether the price of the Japanese contribution may not, in the long run, prove extremely high."

The paper says that while the United States flag and fleet protect the islands, the "possibility of Trojan horse tactics by the Japanese in the Philippines may be discounted. But after 1946 the presence there of a large and growing number of Japanese would have obvious dangers."

Feeling here is that the United States, which in six years will wash its hands of the islands, can hardly object if the legislators in Manila propose to reserve the Philippines for Filipinos by restricting immigration from all countries.—Reuter.

Pres. Roosevelt Confident In American Defences

Isolationist Illusions Shattered By What Is Happening to Invaded European Peoples

Washington, May 27.

"THE United States is shocked by the almost incredible stories of what is happening at this moment to civilian populations of Norway, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and France," said President Roosevelt in a broadcast last night. The President strongly appealed for contributions to the Red Cross, "in the name of our common humanity."

Turning to the question of American defence, the President stressed the "futility and impossibility" of the idea of isolationism for the Americas. Obviously, to base a defence policy on such a conception, he said, was merely to invite a future attack.

The past two weeks had shattered many isolationist illusions. They had lost the illusion that the United States was remote and isolated, and therefore secure against the dangers from which no other land was free. In some quarters, with this rude awakening, had come a fear bordering on panic.

"It is said we are defenceless," the President continued. "It is whispered by some that only by abandoning our freedom, our ideals and our way of life can we build our defences adequately and match the strength of the aggressors."

No "Calamity Howlers"

"I do not share these illusions, I do not share these fears. We are now more realistic, but let us not be calamity howlers and discount our strength. Let us have done with both fears and illusions."

Referring to recent stories about the United States' lack of preparedness, President Roosevelt declared the United States' army and navy today were "the largest, best-equipped and best-trained military establishment in the United States' history."

The world situation might so change that it would be necessary to re-appraise their programme at any time. In such a case he was confident that Congress and the chief executive would work in harmony as a team, as they were doing today.

He would not hesitate at any moment to ask for additional funds when required. The United States was calling on the resources of American manufacturers for all kinds of war materials. He promised the Government was ready to advance money to provide for the enlargement of factories, establishment of new factories and for the employment of thousands more workers, because it would be unfair to expect manufacturers to do this when there was "a chance that a change in international affairs may stop future orders."

Referring to the "fifth column" menace, President Roosevelt said spies, saboteurs and traitors must be dealt with vigorously.

"Undiluted Poison

"New forces are being unleashed, deliberately planned propaganda to divide and weaken us in the face of danger, as other nations have been weakened before. These dividing forces are undiluted poison. They must not be allowed to spread in the New World as they have in the Old."

At this time, when the world, including the American hemisphere, was threatened by forces of destruction, Americans were resolved to build up their armed defences, President Roosevelt went on. They would build them to whatever heights the future might require, and build them swiftly.

"We defend and we build a way of life, not for America, alone but for all mankind. Ours is a high duty and noble task.

"Day and night I pray for restoration of peace to this made world of ours. I know you are praying with me. In a common affection for all mankind, your prayers join with mine that God will heal the wounds and hearts of humanity."

President Roosevelt said between 1933 and 1940 the United States Government would have spent $1,487,000,000 more on the navy than it spent in the seven years prior to 1933. The fighting personnel of the navy had risen from 79,000 to 145,000.

In 1933 the United States had 1,127 useful 'planes working with the navy, while today 2,892 'planes were on hand or ordered.

Navy Far Stronger

"The navy today is far stronger than at any peacetime period in the whole long history of our nation, the President declared. "In hitting power and efficiency I would even make the assertion that it is stronger today than during the World War."

The army in 1933 comprised 122,000 enlisted men, while now that number was practically doubled. Between 1933 and 1940 the Government would have spent $1,292,000,000 more on the army than it spent in the previous seven years. By the end of 1940 every existing unit of the present regular army would be equipped with its complete requirements of modern weapons.

Compared with 355 anti-aircraft guns in 1933, the United States now had over 1,700 modern anti-aircraft guns of all types on hand or ordered, compared with only 24 modern infantry mortars for the entire army

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Balloon Barrages Increase All Over British Isles as Air Raids Loom

Realistic Practices Carried Out by A.R.P. Men; Precautions Against Air Menace Doubled

London, May 27.

The balloon barrage, most tangible evidence of Britain's gigantic Air Raid Precautions service, was being made more formidable today in the face of the threatened German invasion of the British Isles.

Britain doubled precautions to meet any German air menace today after two German "experimental raids" on south-eastern England over the week-end.

Demolition squads dressed to meet gas, fire and chemicals meanwhile hacked their way through condemned buildings which had been dynamited to debris to simulate conditions after an air raid. First aid units and ambulance corps stood by to carry off the "dummy" victims.

The number of balloons England has is a military secret. They certainly number many thousands. Some days only a few are seen while at other times they crowd the horizon. They are mobile and are operated under a precise set of tactics.

That factories hummed this winter with their production was indicated by a new appeal for recruitts to man them. The government particularly wants tailors, mattress makers, upholsterers, scarf folders and winch and hoist drivers.

Not all A.R.P. workers are paid. It depends on their station. Areas which are considered vulnerable, with a dense population and have "targets" are classified as "A" and "B" and these have full time paid workers.

The "C" and "D" zones depend almost entirely upon volunteers for auxiliary fire work, ambulance service and the various rescue services. From twelve great regions—Greater London, the nine counties, Scotland and Wales—the A.R.P. breaks down to its smalles unit—the air raid warden's post.

In London there are about a dozen of these posts to the square mile—manned day and night. In a raid they would report casualties and destruction to a "control room" from where the real work is directed.—United Press.

War Fever Spreads In Italy

British Negotiator on Blockade Control Gets Basis for Agreement

Rome, May 27.

The question of peace or war for Italy remains the paramount preoccupation of everyone in Rome.

Signor Ansaldo, editor of Count Galeazzo Ciano's newspaper "Il Telegrafo," concluded his weekly broadcast by saying: "For every blow Hitler strikes against the Allies we shall strike a corresponding blow in our natural sphere of action in the Mediterranean."

Signor Benito Mussolini conferred yesterday with General Graziani, who is in charge of mobilization, the chief officer in charge of air raid precautions, and heads of armament factories regarding faster and more extensive production.—Reuter.

Sir Wilfred Greene Returning

London, May 27.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare announced that the Master of the Rolls, Sir Wilfred Greene, who has been attending a meeting in Rome of the Anglo-Italian joint standing committee on matters relating to contraband control, was due to return to London last night.

Proposals made by the Italian authorities in this connection are considered by him as affording a very satisfactory basis for agreement. British and Italian representatives are engaged in working out details in Rome.—Reuter.

Rome War Demonstration

Rome, May 26.

Bursts of machine-gun fire marked the close of a physical culture demonstration in Mussolini Stadium today, when young Italian athletes concluded their exercises with patriotic songs and a poster-parade; the posters bore the single word "War."

Il Duce was present for the exercises. Members of the Japanese trade delegation visiting here were his guests.—Havas.

Italian Ships Leave Turkish Waters

Istanbul, May 26.

Italian liners and freighters left Turkish waters today upon receipt of urgent orders to make for home ports, unconfirmed press report declared this evening.—Havas.

War Fever Spreads in Italy

Rome, May 27.

War fever in Italy reached a new high yesterday as two million Italian soldiers were told that "the hour draws near" for Italian action in the Mediterranean.

Sig. Virginio Gayda, editor of the "Giornale d'Italia," boasted in his newspaper that even by staying outside the European War, Italy was forcing the Allies to concentrate 1,200,000 troops along the Italian frontier.

The Italian press began a campaign yesterday alleging that France was mistreating Italians throughout Tunisia. Control of Tunisia, it was recalled is one of Italy's demands on the Allied Powers.—United Press.

Genoa University's Support

Genoa, May 27.

The professors and students of Genoa University have sent a message to Il Duce, pledging their support to the Government. "The great aim of Italy is to destroy in our Italian sea, the intolerable hegemony of other powers," they declared.—Reuter.

Belgian Army Fighting Staunchly

255 German Planes Said Destroyed

London, May 27.

The Paris radio broadcast the following Belgian war communique this morning: "In spite of many desperate engagements, and difficult conditions, the Belgian army is fighting well.

"This army is at present on the left flank of the Allied armies. Local successes have been gained everywhere. Yesterday, for instance, we took 500 prisoners.

"Our air force is attacking with success. Since the beginning of hostilities we have brought down 255 German aircraft," the communique concluded.—Reuter.

Curfew for Malta to Prevent Parachutists

Malta, May 27.

The Governor, General Sir Charles Bonham-Carter, has ordered curfew between 11 p.m. and 5.30 a.m., as from tonight, as a defence measure against parachutists. The public has been informed that if they fail to observe curfew, they take the risk of being shot. "Quislings" have been warned that they are liable to the death penalty.—Reuter.

H.M.S. Wessex Lost By Nazi Air Attacks

London, May 27.

The destroyer Wessex was lost as a result of damage from enemy air attacks, the Admiralty announces.

Casualties are six ratings killed, 15 wounded. The Wessex with other naval units was engaged in operation off the French coast.—Reuter.

Japanese Planes Raid Chungking

Two Machines Said Shot Down Yesterday; 180 Persons Reported Dead

Chungking, May 27.

Six groups of Japanese aeroplanes are reported to have raided Szechuen today between the hours of 9.20 a.m. and 3 p.m. Only two groups, however, bombed Chungking. Both groups are said to have dropped bombs in the western outskirts, so far away from the city itself that the explosions of the bombs were hardly audible here.

According to Chinese reports, two Japanese aeroplanes were shot down during yesterday's raid over Chungking, when the western suburbs were bombed. One is stated to have crashed 25 miles from here, while the other is said to have come down on the border of Szechuen and Hupeh.

About 136 Japanese aircraft are alleged to have particpated in yesterday's raid.

120 Killed and Wounded

Showing an unusual spirit of enterprise, several Chinese newspapers continued to appear today, despite yesuesday's bombing which affected their printing, editorial and business departments.

Particularly praiseworthy was the appearance of the "Central Daily News," the official organ of the Chinese Government, whose printing department was damaged by bombs.

The editorial departments of the "Kuo Min Tung Pao" and the "Sin Shu Pao" were also damaged yesterday. Official Chinese figures are 120 killed and wounded, while the foreign estimate gives the total around 300 killed and wounded.—Reuter.

Calais Holds Out; Boulogne Falls

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gap before they could effect their junction with Allied armies of the central front which are now firmly entrenched along the Somme and Aisne rivers. Although the Germans could claim minor successes against the Allied northern army, five major German attacks had been thrown back in two days and all strategic points held.

The Allied army of the north, it was said, is receiving ample food and munition supplies by sea and is in excellent condition to continue the battle.

The Allied commanders were particularly heartened last night by the fact that the Germans had made practically no gains in the past 48 hours and that German losses during the same period had been enormous.

Enormous Nazi Casualties

One report reaching Paris from a Balkan source said that 70,000 German wounded had arrived in Austria from the northern front. Austrian schools have been hastily converted into hospitals to care for the German wounded, the report said.

French reports said that German material losses also have been enormous. In each of the past four days, it was said, the Germans lost between seventy and eighty first line planes. The Royal Air Force alone claims to have shot down an average of forty German planes daily in the past four days. The French average was said to have been practically as high. In addition, the Belgian, Polish, Czech and Dutch air forces have been in action against the Germans. The Czechs alone claim to have shot down eleven German planes in two days.

At this phase of the operations, a French analyst concluded last night, Herr Hitler is using 110 divisions between the North Sea and the Swiss frontier. Only five German armies are in action in the Battle of Flanders and in Holland.

Nazi Weaknesses Discerned

Germany's total army strength was set at 200 divisions. The value of half these divisions, however, was considered mediocre because the troops are over-age or poorly trained.

French officials said all German division have the same weaknesses—an insufficient number of trained officers and non-commissioned officers, and shortage of skilled artillery units.

During the years when Germany was forbidden to have a big standing army, her artillery forces suffered the most, it was said. During army expansion in Germany it was necessary to maintain a ratio of thirty to one in expanding the peacetime artillery force to a wartime footing, French quarters said. As a result, it was said, German artillery forces are believed to have insufficient training although some progress was made by the Germans in the quiet months of the war preceding the German invasion of the Low Countries and France.

Turning of Tide in Sight

"It is true that the situation has lost none of its gravity," an official French analysis of conditions said last night. "The Germans are now attacking simultaneously on the flank and front of our army in the north while at the same time throwing more tanks into the mad rush to the English Channel ports. This is a consequence of the fact that a gap still exists between Bapaume and Peronne in an otherwise continuous Allied front.

"But our examination of the situation has fully permitted a feeling of confidence since yesterday. An exact estimate of enemy strength which broke through the gap in the Allied lines has now been made, and above all their present distribution is known.

"The Allied High Command says absolutely nothing about its operations or its intentions but that does not mean that the necessary initiatives have not been taken and are not actually in the process of execution."—United Press.

King's Cousin Reported Missing in France

London, May 27.

Lord Frederick Cambridge, a cousin of the King, who has been serving with the British Army in France, is reported missing.—Reuter.

Ammunition Dumps Blaze at Andalsnes

Huge clouds of smoke are seen from two ammunition dumps bombed by the Nazis at Andalsnes in Norway, where the British troops landed for the abortive attack on Trondheim. The British managed later to withdraw from this port without loss of life.

Moscow Will Receive Sir Stafford Cripps

London, May 27.

The Soviet Government has agreed that Sir Stafford Cripps should visit Soviet Russia to prepare the ground for the arrival of a British trade mission. Moscow's consent was transmitted to Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, by M. Ivan Maisky, Soviet Ambassador to Great Britain, today.—Havas.

Allied Guns Mow Down Nazi Mass Attacks

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express the view that the Allied recovery seems more and more evident. General Duval, for instance, writing in "Le Journal," says it seems the first impetus of the German advance is about to end. He adds the French, British and Belgian armies are resisting obstinately and in perfect order.

The Zurich correspondent of "Le Journal" declares the German propaganda machine is emphasizing that the battle is far from won by Nazi troops. The correspondent says articles in the German press are less triumphal than in the past, asd it seems that even the High Command has suddenly become aware of the difficulties.—Reuter.

Nazis Rush Up Reinforcements

London, May 27.

"Reports that the Germans are hurrying reinforcements from positions in the Siegfried Line and Swiss frontier, indicate the gigantic scale of the battle now raging in northern France," writes Reuter's Military Correspondent. "The greater part of German army must now be committed in this one battle," he says.

"The Allied positions in the Lys area are familiar to those who served in the Great War. They are suitable for defence against tank attacks and motorized units because of the flatness of the country. One of the difficulties, until the present, was the concealment offered to those enemy units in the River Scheldt area. The dykes and canals of Flanders offer splendid natural obstacles.

"Further south, the bottle-neck between Amiens and Bapaume has been narrowed by gallant French counter-attacks in the Peronne sector. This accounts for the enemy's various attacks at the Courtrai and Lys positions. A success of the French forces in closing the bottle-neck would put a very different complexion on the whole operation," the correspondent concludes.

London Confirms Calais Held

Allied troops were still holding Calais, it was confirmed in London last night. Fighting side by side with French troops, the British Expeditionary Force repulsed all enemy attacks. The British are fighting magnificently.

There was no serious attack yesterday on the British front, a British General Headquarters communique states. The Germans launched a strong offensive against Belgian forces on the British left and British troops have gone to their assistance. There have been heavy bombing attacks on towns in back areas. The events of the last few days have not impaired the courage and resource of the British soldier, the statement says. One British tank by itself destroyed seven armoured fighting vehicles, according to the communique.—Reuter.

Nazis Claim Advance Almost to Ypres

Attack By French Colonials North of Lens "Repulsed"

Berlin, May 27.

The destruction of Dunkirk by fire, the penetration of German troops almost to Ypres, and the shooting down of 73 Allied aircraft yesterday, are claimed in the latest communique issued by the German High Command.

German forces, the statement says, are continuing their attacks in Flanders and Artois, and "north of Menin they have penetrated deeply into enemy positions and advanced almost to Ypres. The German air force facilitated the advance of the army. The centre of German air force activities was the area in which the enemy is ringed."

The communique alleges that attacks against German positions north-westward of Lens by French colonial troops were repulsed with heavy enemy losses.

Calais, it continues, was captured after a grim fight.

British attempts to rescue their hemmed-in troops, and to take them home over the Channel, are being foiled by German air attacks against Channel ports still in enemy hands, the communique declares.

Dunkirk Ruined by Fire

Dunkirk is claimed to have been destroyed by fire.

After saying there are no important events on the southern front, the statement asserts "the German air force also attacked aerodromes in the vicinity of Paris, and roads and railways south of Rheims. Twenty enemy planes were destroyed on one aerodrome. The enemy yesterday lost 73 planes, of which 32 were shot down in air battles, 15 by anti-aircraft artillery, and the rest destroyed on the ground.

"More mountain troops have been landed by parachute at Narvik. The aircraft-carrier bombed on May 24 off Narvik was again bombed off Harstad and sunk. One warship, two cruisers and one transport were badly bombed.

"Last night the enemy continued indiscriminate bombing of non-military objectives in western Germany, without causing considerable damage."—Reuter.

Four Injured in Gun Battle

Pedestrians Wounded As Police Engage Robbers in Gordon Road District

Four pedestrians were wounded when two Chinese constables attached to Gordon Road police station engaged in a running gun battle with an armed suspect in the vicinity of Hart and Singapore Roads shortly before 8 p.m. yesterday. The gunman made good his escape but he was believed to have been injured in the affray.

The two CPC's, Nos. 2970 and 2995, were on duty at the corner of Hart and Singapore Roads at 7.55 p.m. when they spied a suspicious-looking Chinese dressed in a black tunic and trousers. They immediately challenged the man and he drew a nickle-plated revolver from his clothing and commenced to fire at the police.

As the constables returned fire the gunman turned and fled along Singapore Road with the police in hot pursuit. The chase lasted about 250 yards, during which the robbers fired four shots and the two policemen seven each. At the end of the Settlement limits the gunman made his escape into a narrow alleyway in the badlands and the police were unable to follow. As the man entered the alleyway he was seen to stagger and it is believed that one or more of the shots fired by the police found their mark.

Of the four injured Chinese pedestrians, three men and a woman, two men were taken to the Red Cross Hospital, another man was taken to the Lester Chinese Hospital and the woman was conveyed to the No. 1 Refugee Hospital suffering from minor wounds. One of the wounded persons was a Chinese police watchman.

Death Preferred Before Surrender

Information Minister Speaks to French

London, May 27.

Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, speaking in French in a broadcast to France, said: "Having been compelled to take up the challenge (of Germany), we shall never surrender because we know death is a happier prospect than life as slaves of the Nazi régime.

"Fierce and terrible as the sudden onslaught proved itself, we know that once that sudden onslaught has been repulsed the strength of Germany will diminish day by day while our strength will increase."—Reuter.

Hundred Homeless as 30 Straw Huts Burn

Bubbling Well Firemen Have Busy Night, Answer 2 Calls

More than 100 persons were rendered homeless when fire destroyed 30 straw huts in Keswick Road near Brenan Road about 9.45 p.m. yesterday. Three machines from Bubbling Well fire station responded to the alarm and managed to get the fire under control in about half an hour. No one was injured in the blaze.

The machines had barely returned from the fire at 11.08 p.m. when they were again called out to attend a blaze at Brenan and Jessfield Roads where three Chinese houses had caught on fire. The firefighters managed to control the flames in about twenty minutes but did not return to the station until after midnight. Two persons were injured in the blaze and were taken to the hospital by a Fire Brigade emergency ambulance.

20 More British Fascists Detained

London, May 27.

Over a score of people have been added to those recently detained, following police visits to the headquarters of the British Union of Fascists, and the Imperial Fascist League. Inquiries are still proceeding regarding other organizations, and some of their members.—Reuter.

Thames Warehouses Searched

London, May 27.

Scotland Yard today was understood to have continued the drive started last week to round-up both Britons and aliens suspected of possible "Fifth Column" activity.

The police were said to be concentrating on persons never openly identified with any programme or movement friendly to Germany but suspected of possibly advocating dangerous opinions in the event of an invasion of Britain.

Detectives searched 400 warehouses and buildings along the Thames River for arms and British uniforms which might have been hidden by German agents. River police boarded every ship entering the Thames. They detained for questioning some of the crews.—United Press.

Pres. Roosevelt Confident In American Defences

(Continued from page 7)

in 1933, there were now over 1,600 on hand or ordered, while compared with only 48 modern tanks in 1933, there were now 1,700 on hand or ordered.

In 1933 the army had 1,263 pilots. Today the army alone had over 3,200 of the best fighters in the world, not including hundreds of splendid pilots in the National Guard and organized reserves.

Plane Production Increased

Within the past year the productive capacity of aviation industry to produce warplanes had tremendously increased. This capacity was still inadequate, but the Government was working with industry and was determined to increase this capacity to meet their needs.

"We intend to harness the efficient machinery of these manufacturers to the Government programme of being able to get 50,000 'planes yearly."

Mr. Roosevelt said many patriotic Americans "of proven merit and unquestioned ability in their special fields are coming to Washington to help the Government with their training, experience and capability."

"It is our purpose," the President added, "not only to speed up production, but to increase in the total facilities of the nation, so they can further enlarge to meet future emergencies."—Reuter.

Future Friendship of Pacific Countries

American Ambassador Speaks on Relations

Tokyo, May 27.

All powers bordering on the Pacific, except China, were represented at the 600th luncheon party of the Pan-Pacific Club in Tokyo.

Those present included Mr. Hachiro Arita, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Joseph Grew, the American Ambassador, Sir Robert and Lady Craigie, (British Ambassador), M. and Mme. Charles Arsene-Henry, the French Ambassador, Mr. K. Smetanin; the Soviet Ambassador, Mr. J. C. Pabst, the Netherlands Minister; and about 150 other prominent members of the community.

In the course of a speech, Mr. Grew, the American Ambassador, visualized an essential friendship among Pacific countries in the future. He emphasized the necessity to look beyond the mountain, as Vasco Nunez de Balboa did, who discovered the Pacific Ocean.

Mr. Grew said: "I have spoken of the Pacific as a mighty experimental laboratory. In the old days, chemists tried to discover the elixir of life. Letting our imagination rove into the impenetrable mists of the future, may we not wonder whether at some future epoch there will emerge from various experiments and experiences, a system or combination of systems, best adapted to universal acceptance? That goal today, however, can only exist in our castle-building imagination."—Reuter.

London Calls Sinking Report Fantastic

German "Accusation" May Presage Their Own Act

London, May 27.

British Government officials called the German official news agency's allegation that Britain was planning to sink the ss. President Roosevelt with a load of American refugees a "fantastic lie."

"The Germans," they added, "are running true to form. When they accuse someone of doing something, it is certain evidence that they will try the same stunt themselves as in case of the invasion of the neutrals. The ss. President Roosevelt better look out for a German submarine.'—United Press.

Captain Arthur Power Promoted

London, May 27.

Captain Arthur John Power has been appointed Lord High Commissioner of the Admiralty and, concurrently, Chief of Staff of the Naval Air Force.

Captain Power was Commander of the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal and is a specialist in naval artillery. He entered the Navy 37 years ago.—Havas.

Ex-Kaiser's Grandson Killed in War

Berlin, May 27.

Prince Wilhelm of Prussia, grandson of the ex-Kaiser and eldest son of the former Crown Prince of Germany, died here yesterday after an operation on an abdominal wound received in action on the west front, it was announced today. The Prince, a Lieutenant, 1st class, was wounded on May 23. He possessed the Iron Cross, both 1st and 2nd class. He was 33 years of age and was married to a commoner.—United Press.

Allies Advancing In Norway

Paris, May 27.

The Norway Legation here published a Norwegian High Command communique stating that Allied troops in the Osoren area have advanced till the Rivers Nygaardsgatn and Hanksjell.—Havas.

British Coast Towns To Be Evacuated

Safety Spots Sought For Children

London, May 27.

The Government has decided that, as Holland and parts of Belgium and northern France are under enemy occupation, the following towns on the south-eastern coast will become evacuation areas:

Great Yarmouth, Lowestoft, Felixstowe, Harwich, Clacton, Frinton, Walton, Southend, Margate, Ramsgate, Broadstairs, Sandwich, Dover Deal and Folkestone.

Arrangements are being made for children whose parents wish them to go to be sent to safer districts in the Midlands and Wales. The movement starts next Sunday.—Reuter.

Italian Participation Near, Pertinax Predicts

Paris, May 27.

Italy will join the war on the German side in the second week of June, M. André Geraud, well-known French commentator writing under the name of Pertinax, predicted here today on the basis of information he said he had received from reliable neutral sources.

The Italian plan of operations and its objectives, Mr. Geraud said, would be determined by the outcome of the present battle taking place on the Western front.—Domei.

France Extends War Zone Southward

Paris, May 27.

The war zone in France is extended to regions covering the English Channel and to the departments sweeping in a long line from the coast northwest of Paris to Yonne, southeast of Paris, in accordance with new decrees published in the "Official Gazette" today. The regions affected by the new decree are Seine Inferieure, which includes the port of Havre, Eure, Calvados, Manche, which includes the port of Cherbourg. Orne, Eure-et-Loir, Loiret and Yonne.—Havas.

Eire Army to Go on War Footing

London, May 27.

The Eire army is to be placed on a war footing imminently. Reservists, volunteers, and recruits are being called to the colours.—Havas.

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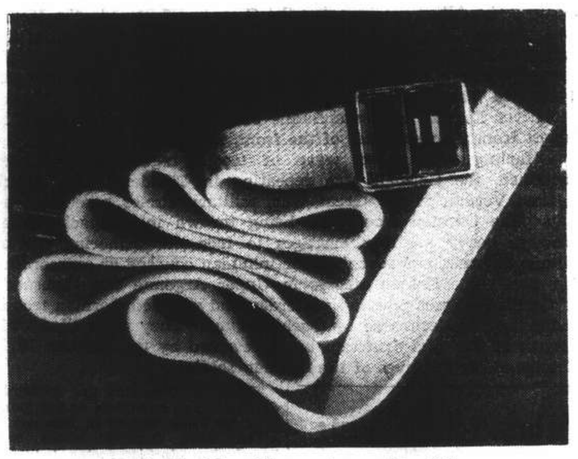

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FROM DAY TO DAY

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Morriss arrived from Hongkong yesterday.

Mrs. A. M. Slack returned from Japan on Sunday.

Capt. H. M. Smyth, Deputy Commissioner of the Shanghai Municipal Police, left the Country Hospital on Sunday.

The Soviet-China passenger and air mail services will be extended from the Hami-Alamuto section to Moscow as from June 1, says a Chungking report to the "Sin Wan Pao."

This week's Rotary meeting which will be held on Thursday at 12.15 p.m., at the Metropole Hotel, will have as speaker, Mr. E. S. Wilkinson, a well-known ornithologist of China, his subject will be "Shanghai Birds."

Shanghai firms and residents are reminded that entries for the Shanghai Directory (July edition of the China Hong List) close tomorrow evening, and corrections received after that date cannot be guaranteed insertion.

In compliance with recent petitions from the Ningpo Residents Guild in Shanghai, the authorities have abolished the 5 per cent ad valorem import and export taxes, it was stated yesterday by officials of the guild, says the "Shun Pao."

Every effort should be made to secure the co-operation of those Powers which are sympathetic and friendly towards China, in order to solve Sino-Japanese problems, declared General Pai Chung-hsi, noted Kwangsi military leader, in a speech welcoming Dr. Paul Yu Pin, Vicar Apostolic of Nanking, at a reception in Kweilin, on May 25, states a message to the "Sin Wan Pao."

The State-operated China Tea Company, and affiliate of the Ministry of Finance, has been reorganized and granted a capital of $10,000,000 from the national treasury, reports the "Sin Wan Pao." The capital, formerly put up jointly by the Central Trust of China and by various merchants and the provincial governments, has been refunded to the shareholders, the paper states.

A most impressive reception was given on May 26, in honour of Mr. Tan Kah-kee, chairman of the China Refugee Relief Association in Singapore, by various public organisations in Sian, capital of Shensi, says the "Chinese American Daily News." Mr. Tan, who has just completed a tour of inspection in Kansu, arrived at Sian the previous day from Lanchow. He will continue his tour in Shensi areas, the paper says.

A joint meeting of the Royal Asiatic Society (N.C.B.) and the International Institute of China will be held in the Wulienteh Hall, 20 Museum Road, on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m., when a lecture will be given by Dr. Frank G. Haughwout entitled "Typhoons and the Law of Storms," illustrated with lantern slides. The meeting is open to the public. The chair will be taken by Mr. Arthur de C. Sowerby, the president of the R.A.S.

The health report of the French Municipality for the week ending May 25, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Concession were—Foreigners 7 and Chinese 225. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners, tuberculosis 1. Chinese, tuberculosis 27; typhoid and paratyphoid fevers 11; recurring fever 4; beri-beri 3; typhus fever 2; pneumonia 2 and dysentery, grippe, septicaemia one each.

The Shanghai Municipal Council health report for the week ending midnight May 25, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Settlement were—Foreigners 16 and Chinese 742. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners, tuberculosis 1; typhoid fever 1 and typhus fever 1. Chinese, tuberculosis 58; typhoid fever 56; typhus fever 5; dysentery 4; diphtheria 3; beri-beri 3; measles 2; relapsing fever 2 and cerebrospinal fever, influenza, malaria one each.

Member banks of the local Chinese Bankers Association and the Native Bankers Association have been instructed by the Ministry of Finance of the Chinese National Government in Chungking to refuse any mortgage on the security of Bills of Lading, says the "Sin Wan Pao." This will check further hoarding of foodstuffs. The two associations will advise the member banks against accepting any further mortgages involving daily necessaries such as food, coal, cotton textiles, soap, matches, etc., the report says.

The Executive Yuan has approved of an additional $400,000 to be granted for the promotion of productive education during the current year, says a Chungking message to the "Sin Wan Pao." The money will be administered by the Ministry of Education as follows:—$140,000 in aid of the various vocational schools, $120,000 for increases in salaries of professors and instructors of such schools, and $120,000 for laboratory equipment of technical and vocational schools, the report adds. The Executive Yuan has ordered the remainder to be used for the promotion of agricultural education in Szechuen province, the paper says.

Among the artists who paid 'varnishing day' visit to Burlington House, London, recently were a number of men and women in uniform who have had works accepted for this year's Royal Academy exhibition. The youngest of the service exhibitors is Gunner Paul Wyeth, aged 20, who has had three pictures accepted. Next comes Lt. J. A. J. Farey, aged 23, of the Royal Engineers, a student at the Royal Academy Architectural School. Mrs. A. M. Beale, in the uniform of the Red Cross, also has a picture hung. Another woman exhibitor is Miss Molly Haigh, aged 24, a V.A.D. worker. One of London's few boarded policemen, 6 ft. 2 in. Special Constable Stanley Grimm, has a portrait hung of one of his chiefs at Scotland Yard, while the Canadian sculptor, Sergt. Arthur Tracy, here as an instructor in the Royal Air Force, is showing a marble head.

Concession Dealers Get Final Warning

Authorities To Take Drastic Action Against Profiteers

A drastic warning to all shopkeepers who have increased their prices since the last slump in the value of the Chinese dollar and who have failed to readjust their prices when the rate of exchange improved was given by the Price Control Committee of the French Concession yesterday in a short communiqué to the press.

The warning is worded as follows:

"The Price Control Committee wishes to issue a final warning to those dealers who, taking advantage of the last fall in the value of the local currency, increased their prices and who failed to readjust the same when the value of the Chinese dollar improved."

No less than 81 infractions against the French Consular Ordinance No. 158, of April 12, 1940, were punished with fines, the communiqué adds. The shopkeepers in question failed to comply with the regulation concerning the compulsory display of price tags.

S.M.C. Warning, Too

Action has been taken by the Shanghai Municipal Council against a number of market stallholders and retailers who have failed to place price tags on necessaries sold by them. The Council now gives warning that action will be taken against all offenders who have not by Saturday, June 1, 1940, placed price tags on basic commodities (necessaries) sold by them and exhibited price lists in accordance with Municipal requirements as stated in Municipal Notification No. 5233.

Market Taxes Hinder Food Sellers

Merchants Hesitate to Send Supplies Here

Vegetable and fruit hawkers and merchants in Shanghai are experiencing great difficulties as a result of keen competition among three "markets" established in the Japanese-controlled areas which are collecting taxes from the merchants, state Chinese reports. A new market called the "Shanghai Market" has now been established in Hongkew, besides the Central Market in Chapei.

It is pointed out that the Central Market originally planned to control the distribution and sale of foodstuffs throughout the city, but so far not more than 20 fruit hongs have participated in the market. The market authorities have tried in vain to force hawkers and merchants to send their wares to the market. Many hawkers and merchants dare not send their goods to foreign areas because of the market's intervention, it is stated.

Last month, it is reported, another market was established in Woosung. This market upholds the principle of "free trade," not forcing merchants and hawkers to sell their goods to the market. Merchants who buy foodstuffs from the interior for Shanghai are required to pay a three per cent. tax to this market, and then they are free to do business without other intervention.

Last week, the third "market," the Shanghai Market, came into existence in Hongkew, adopting a similar policy as the Woosung market, but it has extended its control over merchants who send their foodstuffs to Shanghai by the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow Railways.

Son Said to Be Behind Robbing of Father

Formally Charged in District Court

One of the two Chinese sons arrested more than a week ago on the suspicion that they had instigated two young robbers to victimize their father in order to obtain cash, was formally charged with robbery in the Second Special District Court yesterday together with Huang Fah-chang, a robber caught red-handed. The other son was released, having been acquitted on the instigation charge. Hearing will be resumed on Friday.

It will be recalled that Wang Ming-yeo, the younger son was arrested soon after the apprehension of one of the two young men, dressed in foreign clothes, who tried to rob Wang's father, Mr. Wang Kung-wen, a Shantung merchant who lives in a room on the eighth floor of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Boulevard de Montigny. Two young men visited the father on May 16 menacing the latter with an imitation pistol and trying to bind him with a rope.

The old man shouted for help and one of the boy robbers was arrested. Through his confession the two brothers were arrested later. During their detention by the court, however, the police found out that the older brother had repeatedly warned his brother against plotting a robbery against their father. Since he did not participate in the crime at all the police could not prosecute him.

Netherlands Safeguard Property

New Decree Controls All Owners Abroad

The Netherlands Chargé d'Affaires announces that a Netherlands royal decree has been issued in London dated May 24, 1940, in order to safeguard property of Netherlands individuals and companies against disposal contrary to their interests or to those of the country.

The decree states that claims of whatever description or legal form, including gold deposits, shares, securities, rights under credit arrangements etc., belonging to individuals, and companies residing or having their legal seats in the kingdom of the Netherlands, which can be pledged, sold or disposed of in whatever form, May 24, 1940, the property of the state, represented by the Royal Netherlands Government, temporarily residing in London, in order to be administered in the interest of the original owners, in so far as these individuals or companies were on May 15, 1940, not residing outside, or did not have their legal seat outside, the now occupied part of the kingdom.

Proprietory interests are to be restored after the war.

This decree is applicable to the Netherlands Indies, Suriname and Curaçao.

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

Volunteer Firemen Active

Members of the Volunteer Unit of the Shanghai Fire Brigade turned out for equipment drills on the Bund yesterday. Top photo shows the Volunteers being instructed in the handling of jets while the lower photo depicts an officer giving instruction in coupling lengths of hose together.

Shanghai Japanese Observe Navy Day

Japanese Naval Landing Party's Hongkew Parade

Japanese residents of Shanghai yesterday quietly but impressively observed Japan's Navy Day, the 35th anniversary of the Japanese Navy's victory over the Imperial Russian Fleet during the Russo-Japanese War.

At 9.30 a.m. services were held at the Shanghai Shrine. At this time the naval ensign was hoisted and also the famous "Z Flag" which, at the time of the battle of the Japan Sea, was Admiral Heihachiro Togo's signal to his fleet, reading, "The fate of Japan will be decided with this battle; every sailor is requested to do his best for the country."

An hour later detachments of the Shanghai Japanese Special Naval Landing Party paraded through Hongkew. Armoured car and tank detachments also paraded. As the units passed down North Szechuen Road they were cheered by thousands of Japanese school children waving Japanese flags.

At 11 o'clock, noon Japan Time, a one-minute period of silence was observed by all Japanese as a mark of respect for those who gave their lives for their country.

A special celebration at the headquarters of the Japanese Special Naval Landing Party was held from 11.30 o'clock during which Vice-Admiral Shigetaro Shimada, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese China Seas Fleet, addressed a large number of Shanghai Japanese who had assembled.

Criminals "Borrow" Hire Car

Detectives from Bubbling Well police station were still investigating the possibility of a kidnapping affair last night, after a taxi driver reported that his car had been ordered by five men, two of whom he believed to have been armed, at 9.45 a.m. yesterday, when he was told to drive to Keswick Road. Suddenly two other men, obviously of the same gang, stopped the vehicle near Amherst Avenue, took away his uniform and led him to a straw-hut in the vicinity. Meanwhile one of the five occupants of the car donned the uniform and the car was seen leaving in a northerly direction.

Less than 30 minutes later, the car returned and the driver was permitted to leave, being given $10 by one of the gangstors. The matter was reported to the police but up to a late hour last night investigations instituted immediately gave no indication as to what the car was used for by the criminals.

Swedish Territory Again Violated

Stockholm, May 27.

Foreign planes, coming from the north-west, again violated Swedish territory last Saturday and Sunday. Anti-aircraft batteries went into action and forced the planes back into Norwegian territory.—Havas.

Chinese Flee Europe For South Seas

Bigger Opening For Local Factories Seen

Extension of hostilities in Europe has caused so many overseas Chinese merchants in belligerent countries to flee to the South Sea Islands, including Malaya, the Philippines the Netherlands East Indies, Indo-China, Siam and Burma, that hope is expressed by the Chinese press that Chinese native goods, especially those made in Shanghai, will have bigger market in those places.

It is stated that the number of overseas Chinese in these places has been increased considerably, now totalling more than 9,000,000. These Chinese have opened new shops even in countryside villages, and are glad to sell native goods. Using Singapore as the pivot of communication, these refugee merchants can obtain their goods supplies from Shanghai and Hongkong.

It takes only 10 days by boat to reach Singapore from Shanghai. Merchants may travel by air from Hongkong but it is pointed out that passport procedure must be completed beforehand. Permission must also be obtained from authorities at their destination.

Chinese manufacturers in Shanghai are said to have found a new and enlarged market in the British, French, American and Netherlands possessions in the Far East because of the European conflict and already their sales in those places have been increased. Overseas Chinese are said to have entirely boycotted Japanese goods.

N.E.I. Withstand Invasion Effects

Batavia, May 27.

The Netherlands East Indies have withstood perfectly, both economically and financially, the German invasion of Holland, the Director of Economic Affairs said today. He made this statement after announcing that the Java guilder henceforth would be pegged to the United States dollar at 1.87½ guilders to the dollar.—United Press.

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Dr. Benes Observes Birthday Today

Great Czech Leader Again Fights on Side of Allies For Liberty, Freedom

Dr. Edward Benes, President of the Czechoslovak Republic until that country was invaded by Germany, is celebrating his 56th birthday today. He will be the recipient of congratulations from Czechoslovaks all over the world, because it was to a great extent due to him that the little but prosperous Central European republic came into being in 1918, at the conclusion of the world war. Born in Kozlany, Bohemia, on May 28, 1884, Dr. Benes left his father's farm at an early age to attend Grammar School and Gymnasium in Prague, prior to completing his education at the Prague, Sorbonne, Paris, London and Dijon universities.

Early he interested himself in the welfare of his people and before he had completed his studies, his mind was made up that he would work for the liberation of the Czechoslovaks from the Hapsburg yoke. A close collaborator of the late Prof. T. G. Masaryk, founder of the Czechoslovak republic, Dr. Benes proceeded to Paris in 1915, and together with Prof. Masaryk and General Stefanik, worked ceaselessly for the victory of the Entende and the renewal of an independent Czechoslovak State.

It was due to a great extent to his work, that Czechoslovakia was often referred to as Europe's model democracy, since all minorities incorporated in the small country, had equal rights and proportionate representation in the government. Freedom of speech, and of the press were always maintained, and following the Teuton invasion it was often said that the German minority had been given too much freedom, making use of it to betray the country to which they had voluntarily sworn allegiance in 1918.

Confident in Freedom

When faced with the alternative of resisting the German invasion and sparing the civilian population, Dr. Benes chose the latter, and while he was criticized for this in certain quarters, thirteen million Czechoslovaks, now dominated by Hitler's hordes, are thankful because they are confident that the present war will again bring about the complete freedom of the Czechoslovak Republic. They know that the provisional government in London, and Czechs living abroad are fighting shoulder to shoulder with the large democracies, as was the case in the last war.

Dr. Benes is the author of a large number of books, most of which deal with the Czechoslovak question. Undoubtedly his most successful book was published in 1928, containing his war memoires.

At a time when thousands of Czechs are fighting in France, prepared to make the supreme sacrifice, Dr. Benes' birthday is not being celebrated in a big way. Wherever Czechoslovak communities exist, they will gather today in quiet but solemn demonstrations of solidarity, confident of the ultimate outcome of the present struggle which will once again bring about a free Czechoslovakia.

The local Czechoslovak community will gather at their Circle at 9.30 p.m. today when Major J. Stepan will address members on the life-work of Dr. Benes.

Merchants Fined for Not Showing Labels

Price Tags Not Affixed To Goods

Twenty-one provision dealers and hawkers recently arrested in various markets in the Settlement were each fined $8 by Judge Sheng in the First Special District Court yesterday for refusing to attach price tags to their goods, an offence punishable in accordance with the new regulations enforced by the Shanghai Municipal Council requiring merchants to label their price clearly to enable customers to choose cheaper goods and to prevent profiteering.

It was revealed in court that the sentenced men refused to carry out the regulations despite repeated warnings and that while the offenders this time are small merchants and hawkers, the authorities may in future prosecute big merchants, should they make the same mistakes. This is the first time that the authorities have punished merchants violating the new regulations in connection with price labelling.

U.S.S. Augusta Sails From Shanghai

Gold Star, Finch, Isabel Also Leave Port

Four United States naval vessels, including the U.S.S. Augusta, flagship of the U. S. Asiatic Fleet, sailed from Shanghai for undisclosed destinations yesterday. The Augusta, with Admiral Thomas C. Hart, Commander-in-Chief of the Asiatic Fleet, on board sailed at 1.30 p.m. and is presumably headed for North China to join other units of the fleet now in northern waters for summer exercises.

The other vessels leaving were the Gold Star, Finch and Isabel. The Gold Star, which had been visiting ports in Japan and China on a health cruise, is returning to her home port at Guam. The Gold Star got under way at 8.30 a.m. yesterday and she was followed shortly afterwards by the minesweeper Finch. The Isabel, Admiral Hart's yacht, sailed from Shanghai about 12.30 p.m.

This exodus reduces the number of U S. navy ships in Shanghai to two, the U.S.S. Luzon, flagship of Rear-Admiral W. A. Glassford, Jr., Commander of the Yangtze Patrol, and the U.S.S. Guam, another river gunboat.

Jewish Refugee Woman Dies After Accident

Mrs. L. Rosenfeld, 30-year old Jewish refugee, who fell from a fifth floor window of the General Hospital on Sunday morning, succumbed to her injuries yesterday. The body was transferred to the Public Mortuary, Kiaochow Road, where an inquest will be held today.

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WEI WAH DISCOUNT

Wei Wah $1,127.00 ..........C.N.$1,000.00

NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY

Java Guilders ....Buying 11
Java Guilders ....Selling 10¼

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO., INC.

Buying U.S.$100=$1,758.241 £1=$56.888
Selling U.S.$100=$1,818.181 £1=$58.625

ITALIAN BANK FOR CHINA

It. Lire 1.09=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.24¼=$1
Tourist Lire 1.30 ....$1

HUA HSING COMMERCIAL BANK

Sterling	Selling Rate	@ 6d	per	H.H.$	1
„	Buying „	@ 6 1/32*	„	H.H.$	1
U.S.$	Selling „	@ 7 1/32	„	H.H.$100	
„	Buying „	@ 8 1/32	„	H.H.$100	

*—Nominal.

Local $ (Fapi) selling @ 142 per H.H.$100
buying @ 149 „ H.H.$100

CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing $2.706
Gold Unit 1.00—Local Dollar $4.035

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest	4 5/32	Lowest	4 9/64
U.S. G.$		5 9/16		5 17/32

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING			BUYING	
Cash			May	
£ T.T.	4⅛		4 m/s. l.c.	4 7/32
G.$ T.T.	5½		4 m/s. l.c.	5⅝
Fcs. T.T.	303		4 m/s.	320
Rs. T.T.	22⅞		15 d/s.	23⅜

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	63.13	—
Bombay offtake 150 bars.		

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

New York closing Rate for Cash 3.20
Local sellers U.S.$ for Cash 3.21¼
Local buyers U.S.$ for Cash 3.23

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4⅛ sterling and 5½ U.S.$.

The Interbank market ruled quiet throughout the day and rates remained unchanged. Small business was done at 4 5/32d. sterling and 5 9/16 U.S.$ for cash delivery. At the close quotations were:—

4 9/64	sterling	5 17/32	U.S.$	Cash/May
3 31/32	„	5 9/16	„	June

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Saigon rice per shih (176 lb.)	$51.00
Cotton yn. 20's, D.H., p.b. June	$1,350
„ „ „ Cash	1,290
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	225
Flour, local .. per bag (49lb.)	$13.80
Flour, export . „	15.50
	picul
Raw silk, Steamfil, Ex. B 13/15	$5,600
„ „ 20/22	5,125
„ „ 20/22 78%	5,000

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

May 27.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing
Atoks	.125	.13
Antamok	.075	.075
Baguio Gold	.145 S	.145 S
Batong Buhay	.0075 S	.0075 S
Benguet Consolidated	4.25 *	—
Big Wedge	.14	.14
Coco Grove	.05	.052
Consolidated Mines	.0012	.0013
East Mindanao	.065	.065 S
I. X. L.	.20	.21
Ipo Gold	.048	.048
Itogen	.145 S	.15 S
Masbate Consolidated	.065 S	.065 S
Mine Operations	.0575	.0575 S
North Camarines	.020	.020
Paracale Gumaus	.12	.12
San Mauricio	.475 S	.48 S
Surigao Consolidated	.11	.11
Suyoc	.09	.09
United Paracale	.145 S	.15 S
Mindanao Motherlode	.0675 S	.0675 S

*—Over counter. S—Sales.

Turnover for the Morning: 40,100 Pesos.

Shares Index: (Morning Session) 46.34.
—Reuter.

Senawang R. E. Co. Ltd. Final Dividend

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Senawang Rubber Estates Co. (1921), Limited, held yesterday, it was decided to recommend to shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting, which is called for June 11, that a final dividend of five Chinese dollar cents per share be paid on the ordinary share capital of the company, making a total of 8 cents per share for the year.

Tebong Rubber Estate Final Dividend

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Tebong Rubber Estates, Limited, held yesterday, it was decided to recommend at the forthcoming annual general meeting that a final dividend of nine Chinese dollar cents per share be paid for the year ending January 31, 1940, making a total of 12 cents per share for the year.

Silver Quotations

London, May 27.

Lower prices for silver were fixed in London today, with quotations being:—

	May 24	May 27
London spot	22 7/16d.	22 5/16d.
„ forward	22¼d.	21 13/16d.
„ gold	168/—	168/—

—Reuter.

Cross Rates

Yesterday's Closing

New York/London U.S.$3.20 75d.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

Although the War news continues to be indefinite, what there was of it over the weekend appeared to be more encouraging and the opening of the market today was on a much more cheerful note. The admission that Boulogne had fallen to the Nazis failed to shake the market perceptibly, serious as the loss undoubtedly is. Relatively, it would matter little if only the Allied Armies in the North and the French forces South of the Somme were able to plug the bottleneck along which the Germans have to send their reinforcements and supplies.

Whether it can be said that the worst possible has been discounted or not is a matter of opinion but on the whole, probably not altogether so that further adverse news would probably cause values to slide down again. However, there is some comfort in the reflection that prices have now nothing like the distance to fall that they had a short three weeks ago and that most shares are worth intrinsically more than they are realizing in the market today. In one sense, therefore, it can be said that the market has got over the worst and, if not entirely snugged down to weather any storm, that it is at any rate in much better shape to ride it out than it was.

Most Industrials registered the highest prices of the day at the opening or shortly afterwards and, while fluctuations were generally narrow most shares were higher at the close than the "lows" of the day. Among Lands, China Realty were in some demand rising during the day from $7.20 to $8.10, closing at $8.05.

Rubbers were a firmer market although the turnover was not large. Most shares, however, established gains including the D.E.I. Estates, Kroewoeks notably touching a high of $1.70 from Friday's close of $1.44 and recording the largest individual turnover of any plantation share with 39,000 shares changing hands. Among Malayan shares, Rubber Trusts started the day at $7.30 and ended with buyers at $8.

Official Averages

1940 High	Low		Today's Average	Change
406.55	105.32	General	267.85	+8.05
485.40	95.55	Rubbers	186.42	+9.95

Total 382,074 shares, 174 bonds.

Morning Session

I. I. Trust			500	13.50	1500	13.30
	500	13.40	500	*13.40	500	*13.30
	2000	13.00	500	12.40	500	12.60
	500	12.70	1000	13.20	2000	13.00
	500	13.10	1000	*13.30	1500	13.30
	1000	13.20				
S'hai Loan			1000	14.30	500	14.50
	500	13.40	500	14.00	500	14.50
	500	14.40	2500	14.30	500	14.20
	500	14.40				
Yangtsze Finance					2500	9.50
S'hai Securities			500	4.00	500	4.10
	500	3.90	1000	3.50	500	3.80
	500	3.85	4000	3.90		
Int. Assurance			500	11.60	500	11.80
	500	*12.00				
China Realty			1000	7.20	10000	7.50
	1000	7.60	6000	7.55	1000	*7.50
	4500	7.60	1000	7.65		
S'hai Land			1000	9.95	1500	10.20
	1500	10.30	1500	10.10	1500	10.20
	1000	*10.30	500	10.30	500	10.10
	2000	10.20				
Central Prop			1000	14.00	400	14.30
	100	14.50				
Dockyards			1200	30.00	200	29.75
	2300	29.50	300	*30.00	100	30.25
	300	*30.25	1400	30.00	100	30.25
	400	*29.75	1200	29.75	200	28.00
	300	29.50	1200	30.00	3800	28.50
	100	*28.50	400	28.75	1100	29.00
	100	*28.75	1000	*29.00	1200	28.75
	800	28.50	100	*28.50	500	28.00
	200	*28.25	100	28.25	1300	28.50
	1100	28.25	200	*28.50	100	28.50
	300	*28.00	500	28.00	800	27.50
	100	*27.25	500	*28.00	300	27.75
	100	27.50	600	28.00	100	28.25
	1200	28.50	200	29.00	600	28.75
	200	*28.50	100	29.00	1300	28.75
	100	*28.50	1100	28.50	1800	28.25
	100	*28.00	1600	28.00	400	27.75
	500	*28.00	100	28.00	600	*27.75
	200	27.75	100	*28.00		
Wheelock (Old)			1300	68.00	100	68.50
	100	*68.00	200	65.00	200	66.00
	200	63.50	200	63.00	500	65.00
	200	64.00	100	*64.50	100	65.00
	200	64.50				
Wheelock (New)			200	58.50	200	55.00
	300	53.00	300	54.00	100	56.00
	100	55.00	200	54.50		
C. G. Omnibus			100	22.50	200	22.00
	100	21.50	400	21.00	300	20.50
	300	20.75	200	20.50		
S'hai Gas			200	17.00	400	17.50
	100	18.00	100	17.80		
Telephone			400	32.25	1300	32.50
	200	32.00	800	32.50	200	32.75
	500	32.50	200	*32.00	200	32.00
Tram (Bearer) £1					100	43.00
	100	42.50	100	42.75		
Metal			100	26.25	100	26.00
	300	25.25	100	25.00	200	24.50
	1000	24.00	200	23.50	700	23.75
	200	*23.75	100	23.50	100	*23.25
	1100	23.25	100	*23.50	1100	23.50
	1100	23.25	100	*23.25	700	23.50
	1100	23.75	100	23.25	500	23.50
	100	*23.50				
Kaiping			200	42.50	100	43.00
	100	42.00				
Exploration			1000	13.10	500	*13.50
	500	13.50	1000	13.40	1000	*13.40
	500	13.30	500	13.20	1000	13.00
	2000	12.90	1500	12.50	1000	12.80
	500	12.70	500	12.60	500	12.50
	500	*12.30	500	*12.50	1500	12.60
	2000	12.80	1500	12.90	500	12.70
	1000	12.90				
Lumber			200	39.00	200	38.25
	100	38.00	500	38.50	200	*38.50
	100	38.75	100	38.50	2100	39.00
	500	39.50				
Ewo Mills (Ord)			100	40.50	400	39.00
	900	38.00	300	37.50	100	*38.00
	600	37.75	1600	37.50	100	*37.25
	300	37.25	200	37.00	100	37.50
	900	37.25	100	37.00	1300	37.50
	100	38.25	500	38.00	100	37.25
	600	37.75	1700	37.50	200	*37.50
	200	37.25	200	38.00	500	37.75
	500	*38.00	1500	37.50	600	37.00
	1200	37.25	500	*37.50	1200	37.75
	1300	38.00	2900	38.25	100	*38.00
	900	38.25	500	38.00	1400	37.75
	100	*37.50	600	37.50	1200	37.75
	100	*38.00				
Anglo Dutch			100	11.00	700	11.30
	200	11.20	200	11.10	100	*11.10
	100	11.40	100	*11.10		
Anglo Java			200	21.50	100	21.75
	500	22.00	600	22.25		
Cheng			1000	0.68	5000	0.64
	1000	0.66	3000	0.67	1000	0.65
Consolidated			1000	6.20	500	6.00
Kroewoek			4000	*1.54	1000	1.66
	1000	*1.66	1000	1.68	1000	*1.68
	13000	1.66	5000	*1.66	3000	1.70
	7000	*1.70				
Langkat			100	15.00	100	16.00
	100	15.40	100	14.50	400	14.40
	200	15.00				
Repah			1000	0.94	1000	0.95
	3000	0.98				
Rubber Trust					2000	7.20
Senawang			1000	*1.50	1000	1.50
Kelantan			2000	0.68	2000	0.72
Tanah Merah			2000	2.75	2000	2.80
	1000	*2.95				
Tebong			1000	1.20	1000	1.22
	7000	1.24	6000	1.26	1000	*1.26
	1000	1.28				
Ziangbe					400	14.50
Power 5½% Debs.					1000	86.00
S. M. C. 6% 1940					2000	*95.00

ODD LOTS

Power 5½% Debs.					400	85.00
C. G. Omnibus			50	22.25	50	21.25
I. I. Trust			100	12.70	270	13.20
	60	12.90	200	*13.00	100	*13.50
China Realty					200	*7.15
Dockyards					50	27.50
Exploration			100	*13.40	100	12.50
	100	13.00				
Telephone			20	32.50	50	32.25
S'hai Land			200	10.40	200	*10.50
	100	10.30	240	*10.00	200	10.30
Ewo Mills (Ord)			50	37.75	30	38.00
S'hai Gas					35	*17.10
Consolidated					150	6.05
Int. Assurance					300	11.90
Wheelock (Old)					20	63.50

Control of British Currency

War Affects the Pound Sterling in all Neutral Countries; British, French Equalization Funds

THE "crisis" atmosphere in which the year 1938 ended affected the foreign exchange market to a large extent during the greater part of 1939. At the outbreak of war, however, strict control was imposed by the Government and during the last four months all the chief exchanges were fixed by the Bank of England; consequently, there was no opportunity for initiative or intelligent anticipation of movements in exchanges, which is the spice of life to the foreign exchange dealer. In the first eight months of the year the greatest interest was centred in the dollar-sterling exchange, which fell early in January to $4.62¼, but improved later in the month to $4.68⅜, states Mr. E. L. Franklin in "The Times."

The international political tension which developed in intensity until it culminated in the outbreak of war caused a continuous pressure on sterling. The authorities pegged the exchange at $4.68⅛ to the pound for about six months, but the drain on the Exchange Equalization Fund was too great and on August 25 the peg was taken out and the value of the pound began to fall rapidly. On that day the rate touched $4.35, and on August 28 $4.10 was recorded. Before the end of August, however, a reaction carried the rate back temporarily to $4.35.

At the outbreak of hostilities the Bank of England fixed the rate at $4.02 to $4.06, but limited the selling of dollars to those who required them to pay for necessary imports or to pay a pre-war debt. On September 14 the Control's buying rate for dollars was reduced to $4.04, the selling rate remaining at $4.02. In the first two months of the war the Exchange Fund must have gained considerable amounts of gold and foreign exchange, but the previous pegging of the exchange at $4.68⅛ was a very costly proceeding.

Sterling in the Free Market

It is natural that the war should have affected the pound sterling in all neutral countries. In New York, where there was no control of exchange, sterling after the first few days of hostilities was obtainable appreciably under the Bank of England's price. Foreigners who had held sterling balances tried to buy dollars in London, but the control would only sell against approved imports and the consequence was that they had to sell their sterling for what it would fetch in New York. The quotation there fell at one time to $3.76, but at the end of the year it was fairly steady at around $3.95.

At the end of May the French Equalization Fund amounted to 15,772,000,000f. Later it was reported that French capital had been returning satisfactorily and that during the first week of the war the fund increased by 1,000,000,000f. in spite of heavy imports and the falling off in exports. This, with the gold reserve of the Bank of France totalling 97,266,408,000f. made a very formidable war chest for our Allies of approximately £700,000,000.

Resources in U.S.

The Federal Reserve Board estimated that the combined British, French and Canadian resources in United States funds (in dollar balances and securities' amounted to over $4,000,000,000.

Canadian dollars were in demand early in August owing to the movement of the crops, and were quoted at a premium on New York, but as a result of Canada being a belligerent, from the outbreak of war the Canadian dollar remained at a considerable discount in the United States.

Controlled Currencies

At present ten currencies are officially controlled—United States and Canadian dollars, the French franc, Dutch and Java guilders, the Swiss franc, Swedish and Norwegian kronen, the Belgian belga, and the Argentine peso. All these exchanges are fixed by the Bank of England and communicated to the market by sub-offices of the bank, which are foreign exchange brokers' office specially authorized by the bank. The brokers have found their normal services not required by the market owing to the imposition of the exchange restrictions, but most of them have been taken over by the Bank of England temporarily.

All applications for exchange have to be made on a special form, which has to be approved by the Bank of England before the currency is made available.

The French exchange was remarkably steady during the year. There was no talk of further devaluation of the franc in terms of sterling, and during the 12 months the fluctuations in the rate were only between the limits of 174f. and 177f. The patriotic Frenchman supported his own currency, and the position of the Treasury is now very strong. M. Paul Reynaud, the Finance Minister, has been in office for over a year, and has much improved the financial stability of the country. He stated in May last that the Exchange Equalization Fund had acquired 13,000,000,000f. of gold and foreign exchange between October 31, 1938 and January 31, 1939, and it is generally believed that large additions have since been made to the fund.

French Exchange Stability

The British and French Governments have agreed to avoid alteration in the existing official rate of exchange between the two countries, so that it is presumed the rate of 176½f. per pound sterling is fixed for the duration of the war.

There were one or two flurries in the Dutch exchange during the year owing to internal political troubles and the movement of international capital. The highest quotation for the year was 8.85fl., recorded in February, and the lowest was 7fl., quoted after the outbreak of war. Sterling in Amsterdam, however, later recovered somewhat, and was quoted 7.43fl. at the end of the year.

The Swiss exchange had to bear the brunt of large international movements of funds during the year, but the Swiss National Bank was equal to the occasion and the exchange did not move abnormally.

In the first part of the year the belga was weak, the rate being at or over the gold export point for some time, but the Banque Nationale de Belgique was able to counteract the "bears" of belgas, who were squeezed on each occasion.

The Italian exchange, being fixed on a dollar basis, moved with the London-New York rates.

The Netherlands Joins Monetary Agreement

Crossrate of F.7.60 for £1 For Sterling Block Trade

The Netherlands Chargé d'Affaires a.i. has the honour to state having received the following information by cable from the Netherlands Indian Government.

On May 21, the Netherlands Government joined the Franco-British Monetary Agreement, with the exclusion of course of the territories occupied by the enemy, subject to the following conditions:

In the trade between the Netherlands East Indies and the sterling block, only transactions in sterling will be allowed henceforth at the official cross rate on the basis of f. 7.60=£1.

The American dollar will be maintained at an average of f. 1.88½ (i.e. US$0.5308=f. 1.)

Preparatory measures which had been taken in order to secure direct and indirect exports including goods re-exported via sterling countries to countries not participating in the Franco-British monetary agreement will be fully maintained, but such exports will only be payable in American dollars or in such other foreign currencies as will be allowed by the Bank of Java (Bank of issue).

The necessary arrangements are well advanced and will be working in the nearest future.

Pending definite arrangements, the satisfactory exchange position of the Netherlands East India banks enables the Government to deal with all current business.

This double arrangement can be maintained because the entire exchange business will be centralized in the institute which is to be formed for currency control and this entire export business is exclusively permitted in foreign currencies.

The present rates of foreign exchange shall be maintained and the deviation of exports to third countries via the sterling bloc will be prevented.

Swiss National Bank

Zurich.

On April 15, the gold reserves of the Swiss National Bank amounted to 2.138 millions Swiss francs; discounts and advances on securities reached 254,8 millions. The notes in circulation (1.969 millions) and the other liabilities at sight (737,5 millions) were covered by 79 per cent.

Afternoon Session

I. I. Trust			1000	13.30	500	13.50
	2500	13.60	500	*13.60	1000	13.50
S'hai Loan					500	14.50
Yangtsze Finance			500	9.30	1000	*9.50
	5000	9.50				
S'hai Securities			1500	3.90	500	*3.95
	500	3.95	1500	3.90		
China Realty			2000	7.70	500	7.75
	7000	7.90	500	*7.90	1500	7.85
	1000	*7.95	500	7.95	3000	8.00
	1500	8.10	500	*8.10	500	8.05
S'hai Land			500	*10.10	500	10.20
	500	10.30	500	10.40		
Central Prop.			100	15.00	2000	14.70
Dockyards			100	*28.00	700	27.75
	2400	28.00	200	*28.25	100	*29.00
	100	29.00	200	28.50	1100	28.75
	300	*28.50	100	*28.75	100	28.50
	400	28.75	500	*29.00	1400	28.75
	100	*28.75				
Wheelock (Old)			100	63.00	100	64.00
	100	*63.50	300	63.00	200	64.00
Wheelock (New)			200	54.00	100	55.00
C. G. Omnibus			100	*20.75	200	21.00
	100	20.75	100	21.50	100	21.25
S'hai Gas					200	17.70
Telephone			300	32.50	300	32.25
	100	32.75				
Tram (Bearer) £1					300	42.50
	100	42.75	1600	43.00		
Metal			100	*23.25	500	23.00
	100	*23.00	400	23.50	300	23.75
	300	24.00	400	23.75	100	23.50
	200	24.00				
Kaiping					100	43.00
Exploration			2500	13.00	1000	12.80
	500	*13.00	500	*13.20	500	13.20
Lumber			100	39.50	100	*39.50
	400	40.00	200	41.00	2000	*41.00
	200	40.75	400	41.00		
Ewo Mills (Ord)			200	*38.00	1300	38.00
	1100	37.75	1100	*37.75	400	38.00
	300	37.75	100	*38.00	100	*38.25
	700	38.25	600	38.50	300	*38.75
	400	38.75	200	*38.50	400	38.50
China Finance					5000	0.80
Anglo Dutch			100	11.20	100	11.50
Anglo Java			1400	22.25	200	23.00
	100	22.50				
Batu Anam					1000	*0.93
Bute					500	6.80
Chemor			2000	1.94	1000	2.00
Cheng			1000	0.65	1000	0.68
	4000	0.70				
Consolidated					500	6.20
Kroewoek			2000	1.68	1000	1.64
Langkat			100	14.80	100	15.40
	100	15.50				
Permata					2000	1.00
Repah			3000	1.00	3000	1
Rubber Trust			500	7.30	500	7.50
	500	*7.40	500	7.40	1000	7.50
Semambu			1000	0.98	1000	1.00
	1000	1.02				
Senawang					3000	1.60
Kelantan			1000	0.72	1000	0.76
	2000	0.80				
Seremban			2000	1.80	1000	1.82
Tanah Merah					1000	2.95
Tebong			2000	1.28	3000	1.30
	3000	1.32	2000	1.34		
Ziangbe					100	14.60
Power 5½% Debs.					4000	86.00
	5000	85.75	5000	86.00		

ODD LOTS

Rubber Trust					200	7.60
S'hai Securities			250	3.85	200	4.00
China Realty			100	7.65	100	7.60
	249	8.00				
S'hai Land			200	10.30	100	10.30
	100	*10.20				

*—Direct Business.

Exchange of Commoditie Planned in Peiping

Peiping, May 27.

With a view to meeting the demands in north China and Central China the Hsing Chung Company (a Japanese organization) is negotiating with the authorities of north China and central China for an exchange of commodities between north China and central China, according to Chinese press reports.

North China will supply coal in return for rice and flour from central China.—Reuter.

Egypt Orders Full Blackout

Alexandria, May 27.

The authorities have ordered a blackout throughout the country between 9 p.m. and 3 a.m. Hitherto a blackout was imposed only along the sea front.—Reuter.

Belgian Exchange Control Steps

Regulations Drafted in Co-operation With The French Authorities

Paris, May 26.

The Belgian Embassy announced today that upon the request of the National Bank of Belgium, exchange of Belgian currency in France will henceforth be limited to 2,000 francs per person every two weeks, with a maximum of 5,000 francs per family.

Refugees from Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands, it was also announced, must, within eight days of their arrival in France, declare all shares, securities, banknotes and any other "means of payment" in their possession.

The property declared must be deposited in a special bank, which will give the people receipts for their possessions. These receipts will be required for all subsequent exchanges of "foreign means of payment" for French francs.

The regulations, it was stated, were drafted by the French and Belgian authorities working in full co-operation.—Havas.

Singapore Weekly Rubber Report

Singapore, May 2.

There has again been little change in the market situation since last reporting, the week having been a quiet one, with only minor fluctuations in prices. The news of British measures in the Mediterranean has had little effect on the market, but the tone today is rather steadier and sellers are somewhat scarce.

The London market ruled dull earlier in the week, but has firmed up towards the close, while New York has been rather more active after a very dull period. At time of writing the local market is steady, and latest quotations are as follows:—

Spot 36 cents, up ⅜ cent.
London 11.1/6d. up ⅛d.
New York 19⅛ U.S.A. cents, down ⅛ U.S.A. cent.

At the auctions yesterday there was a good demand for all grades, but Pale Crepes show no sign of regaining their premium. Of 742 tons catalogued, 699 tons were offered and 582 tons sold.

The following is the course of values:—

	In Singapore per lb.
Ribbed Smoked Sheet:—	
Standard quality	35½—35⅞
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Fair average quality	33⅝—34½
Off quality	32⅝—33½
Sheet Cuttings	32 —32⅜
Crepe:—	
Fine quality pale	No Sales
Standard and slightly inferior	34
Off Colour Latex	33 —33⅜
Light Brown and Brown (Clean)	32¾—33¼
Milling Grades:—	
Cupwashings and skimmings	31⅞—32¼
Tree Scrap	27½—29⅛
Brown and Dark Crepe	27½—32¾
Bark Crepe (Earth Rubber)	26½
Virgin Lump	25⅝—29

London Ridicules Nazi Claims

London, May 27.

Reuter learns that a German communique claiming German planes bombed aerodromes in England is ridiculed in well-informed circles. It is presumed the Germans refer to raid on Yorkshire and East Anglia which already were fully reported by the Air Ministry. No damage was done in those raids beyond that already reported.

Informed circles state there is no truth whatever in a German claim that an aircraft carrier was bombed and sunk off Norway.—Reuter.

Salt Production Boosted

Peiping, May 27.

Chinese press reports state that the Shantung Salt Administration authorities have prepared a plan to increase the production of salt in Shantung to the amount of 1,200,000 piculs annually in order to meet demand.—Reuter.

Japanese Govt. Bonds

Osaka, May 27.

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North China Coal Mines To Amalgamate

Peiping, May 27.

The plan for the amalgamation of six coal mines in north China into one big coal mine company, which was proposed by the now defunct provisional government, will be taken up by the North China Political Affairs Commission, according to Chinese press reports.

This company, a Sino-Japanese organ, will be capitalizing $25,000,000. The stated purpose of this company is to increase the production of coal on the basis of Sino-Japanese economic co-operation. The company is expected to be inaugurated about the middle of July.—Reuter.

Circulation of Banknotes

Peiping, May 27.

With a view to unifying the currency in north China the circulation of Japanese, Manchoukuo and Mengkiang bank notes has been banned since May 15, according to Chinese press reports.

From May 21 up to June 15 those who have in their possession bank notes issued by the Japanese banks, Korean banks, Manchoukuo banks and Mengkiang banks must exchange them for Federal Reserve Bank notes.

After June 15 circulation of banknotes other than Federal Reserve Bank notes will be banned completely.

Tourists from Japan, Manchoukuo and Mengkiang to north China may be permitted to exchange notes at the train station and other landing points even after the expiration of the period mentioned.—Reuter.

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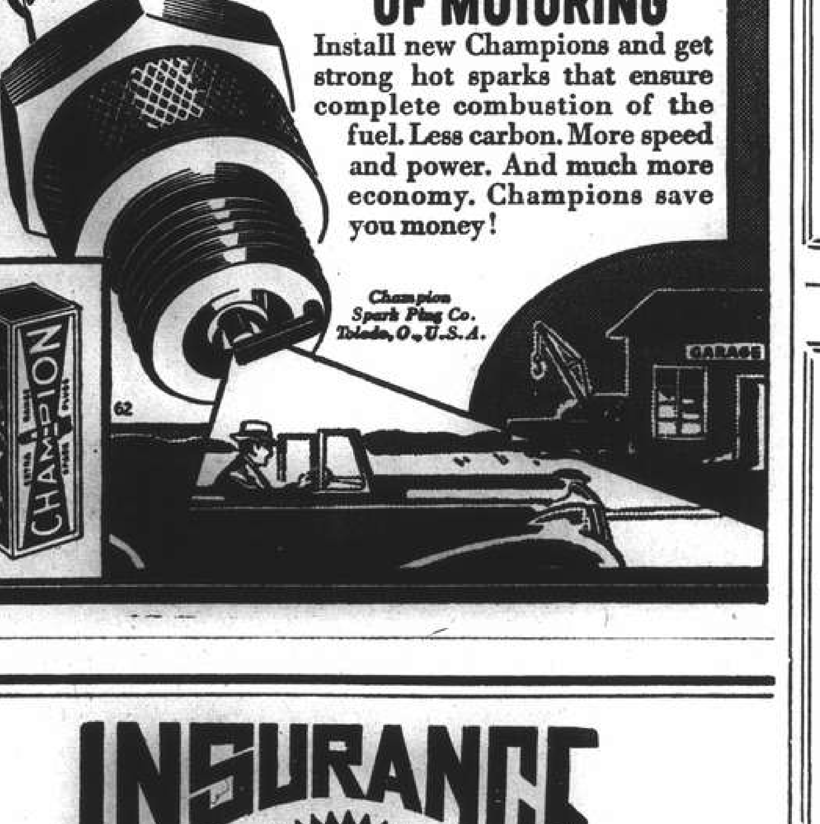

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The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From NAGASAKI: Nagasaki Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m. Wayside Wharf.

DUE AT FUTURE DATES

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

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From GENOA
Conte Verde 10/5 6/6
Sumatra 29/4 2/7

From TRIESTE
Fusijama 20/4 9/6

From COLOMBO
Conte Verde 25/5 6/6

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below

AMERICA AND JAPAN

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Birmingham City — 22/6

From SEATTLE
Coldbrook 15/5 6/6

From NAGASAKI
Shanghai M. 30/5 31/5

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From DAIREN
Tsingtao Maru 28/5 30/5

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For LONDON
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For LIVERPOOL
Hakone Maru 5/6

For GENOA
Conte Verde 9/6

For Bombay & Calcutta
Lima Maru 4/6
Penang Maru 6/6

For NEW YORK
Dona Aurora 29/5
Hokuroku Maru 4/6
Kansai Maru 24/6
Birmingham City 24/6

For SAN FRANCISCO
Asama Maru 29/5
Dona Nati 12/6

For VANCOUVER
Mirrabooka 31/5

For MANILA
Startia 27/5
Coldbrook 10/6

For HONGKONG
Tatuta Maru 17/6

For KOBE
Taiyo Maru 27/5
Kasima Maru 2/6

For NAGASAKI
Shanghai Maru 27/5
Nagasaki Maru 29/5
Shanghai Maru 1/6

For DAIREN
Hoten Maru 28/5
Tsingtao Maru 2/6
Hoten Maru 5/6
Dairen Maru 8/6
Tsingtao Maru 11/6

VESSELS DISCHARGING

ANTILOCHUS. From Liverpool arrived on May 26, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Friday, May 31, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 30-5

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Kanre M.	T'lungkong	Hwa Chung
Tawha	T'lungkong	Quen Kee
Whatung	T'senkong	Quen Kee
Tachang M.	River Ports	T.K.K.
Kiangnan	Hsupu	C.F.P.K.
Hoten M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Chingning M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Kasima M.	Kobe	T.K.K.
Heini	Sungmen	G.F.E.
Taiko M. 18	Hsinkong	T.K.K.
Talien	Tsungming	Wan Woo
Wukiang	Hupukow	A.P.C.
Minho	Wenchow	Inter. Nav.
Talisman	New York	Dodwell
Ruys	Hongkong	J.C.J.L.
Karsten	T'lungkong	Chin Dah

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Yutung M. 3	Jap	C.C.T.H.
U.S.S. Finch 9	Am.	—
U.S.S. Gold Star	Am.	—
Tatutake M.	Jap.	K.U.K.
Shanghai M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Tricolor	Nor.	Dodwell
Chekiang M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Hingya M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Satartia	Am.	Everett
U.S.S. Augusta	Am.	—
U.S.S. Isabel	Am.	—
Taiyo M.	Jap.	T.K.K.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Guam	Am.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
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ss. DAIREN MARU	June 6	June 8 at 9 a.m.
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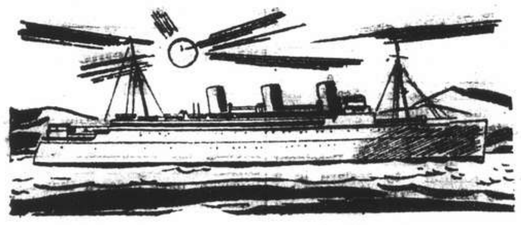

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Russia Sees Allied Ultimate Victory

Conducts Negotiations with Allies While Maintaining German Friendship

Tokyo, May 26.

The Soviet Union, becoming uneasy about the apparent strength displayed by Germany, is adopting a wary attitude towards its western neighbour, according to a Stockholm despatch to the "Asahi."

The same despatch quotes authoritative Soviet quarters to the effect that the Kremlin believes in Allied chances for an ultimate victory and consequently conducts negotiations with Paris and London while maintaining friendly relations with the Reich "in an effort not to be caught off guard."

"The Soviet Union is drifting away slowly from its manifested position of friendship toward Germany," the correspondent writes, "especially since the success of the German drives into the low countries and France."

This, according to the report, does not mean, however, that Moscow is becoming pro-British or French. The apparent strength of Germany is said merely to be making the Soviet uneasy about having too strong a neighbour on its western border. The authorities in the Kremlin are being forced by consideration of self-interest to take firm precautionary steps, it is reported.

Symptoms

The "Asahi" correspondent enumerates the following symptoms showing the wary attitude of the Soviets:

Reopening of negotiations with London and Paris; statements that all military activities in the Balkans will be regarded unfavourably by the Kremlin; feverish reinforcement of the Soviet Air Force by full-time work in some 70 aircraft factories, and enrolment of about 10,000 youths in aviation schools this year; forcible transfer inland of populations living within 30 miles of the new Soviet-German border in former Poland, indicating the vast scale of fortifications undertaken in the frontier area.

"Fifth Columnists"

Soviet suggestions accepted by the Reich, that Germans living in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania be transferred to Germany, considered as a move to get rid of possible future "fifth-columnists" in spheres of Soviet influence; an inspired editorial in the "Trud," organ of the national trade unions, seeing hope for an Allied victory should the current war last years, the economic backing of the United States being given as the principal reason for the probability of an Allied victory.

The Soviet authorities are convinced, according to the "Asahi," that the outcome of the current fighting will determine the anti-Soviet line-up of the future. It is thought that this view of the future led President Mikhail Kalinin to declare in a speech at Viborg: "The Soviet Union is preparing for all eventualities and is strengthening its national power while the capitalistic nations are wasting away their strength."—Havas.

Japanese Desire for N.E.I. Status Quo

Non-Involvement in European War

Tokyo, May 27.

Japan was deeply concerned over the maintenance of *status quo* in the Netherlands East Indies, stated the Foreign Office spokesman at a press conference today.

Although nobody could predict the future policy of any country, the spokesman added, the Japanese Government was at present pursuing a non-involvement policy in the European war, to concentrate all efforts on the disposal of the China affair.

Questioned regarding a press message from Berlin that Germany would retaliate for any maltreatment of German residents in the Netherlands East Indies, the spokesman said he had no official information in connection with this matter. He expressed the opinion, however, that the hinted retaliation would be carried out in the European zone and not in the Netherlands East Indies. Therefore, the German action, if taken, would create no new phase concerning the position of the East Indies.—Reuter.

Peace and Integrity Of East Asia

Clearly asserting that the Japanese Navy is prepared to cope with the domestic as well as international situation, Cmdr. Naoaki Hazama, chief of the press section of the Japanese China Seas Fleet, strongly emphasised in a statement issued on the occasion of Japan's 35th Navy Day, that the Japanese nation should bend its efforts towards securing the peace and integrity of East Asia, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday.

"The Japanese Navy," he declared," is facing the current domestic and international situation with the same preparedness and determination as the Japanese Combined Fleet under Admiral Togo faced the Imperial Russian Fleet 35 years ago.

Should Italy and the United States participate in the European conflict, East Asia, where a serious situation already prevails will be subjected to more serious effects," he said.

In winding up his statement, Cmdr. Hazama declared that the entire Japanese nation should brace itself to face the unprecedentedly serious situation both at home and abroad.—Domei.

Germans Plan Attack on Britain From Norway

Berne, May 26.

While attention is riveted on the mighty struggle in Flanders, the Germans are preparing a large-scale attack on Britain, using Norway as a base of operations, the Stockholm correspondent of the "Neue Zuercher Zeitung" reports. German units scattered in south and central Norway have been sent to Bergen and Stavanger, where there are already large concentrations. German freighters, after hastily unloading their cargoes in Sweden, left with ballast in their holds, it is supposed for western Norway ports where it is believed they may be used as transports, the correspondent concluded.—Havas.

U.S. Raw Cotton Dealers Urge Trade With Japan

Osaka, May 27.

Emphasizing the need of securing exports of American raw cotton to Japan, the Association of Dealers of Raw Cotton have presented the Roosevelt Administration with a petition adopted at the annual general meeting of the Association at the end of last month, urging the Government to place American-Japanese trade relations on a permanent and sound foundation in the interests of the southern states as well as the entire United States, information reaching here today revealed.—Domei.

450 Dead, 5,000 Injured In Lima Earthquake

Two-thirds of Callao in Complete Ruins

Lima, May 27.

Latest statistics received here today revealed that 450 persons are known to have died and 5,000 to have been injured in the severe earthquake which rocked the entire coast of Peru shortly before noon last Saturday.

Two-thirds of Callao, on the outskirts of the capital, is in complete ruins and the damage done by the tremor has been estimated at more than Pesos 10,000,000.

The Japan-Peruvian Society, which had been organized under presidency of Baron Kishichiro Okura with the objective of promoting friendship between Japan and Peru, yesterday sent a telegraphic message to the Peruvian Government expressing deep sympathy with the sufferers of the disastrous earthquake.

Two Japanese Perish

Tokyo, May 27.

Two Japanese were reported here today to have perished in the severe Peruvian earthquake which rocked the coast of the country. More than 12 other Japanese were injured, reports from Lima declared.

Other messages from the Peruvian capital revealed that 200 Japanese are homeless as a result of the 'quake. It was recalled that 500 Japanese were rendered homeless by the recent violent anti-Japanese riots which took place in Lima. Relief work has been organized by the executive members of the Japanese Association in Lima, reports said.—Domei.

Signposts Removed in Swiss Canton

Berne, May 26.

The authorities of Uri Canton, reflecting the seriousness with which Switzerland regards the threat of invasion, have ordered that all signposts which give geographical information on the region be removed.—Havas.

S.V.C. Orders

Return of Arms and Equipment:—All Officers in possession of rifles and/or equipment are requested to return them to Quartermaster's Stores S.V.C. Headquarters, by May 31.

Strength:—Increase:—The undermentioned are taken on the strength of the Corps as under:—Corps Cavalry:—American Troop.—Tpr. F. Lawitz May 21. "A" Battalion:—"A" Company.—Pte. J. V. Christensen May 20. Scottish Company.—Pte. H. T. Wilson May 23. "B" Battalion:—American Company.—Pte. E. E. Brayner May 23, Pte. C. J. Beach May 23. Decrease:—The undermentioned are taken off the strength of the Corps as under:—Corps Cavalry:—American Troop.—Tpr. E. Hamamdjian May 17. Tpr. L. Ovanessian May 17. Corps Troops:—Armoured Car Co.—Pte. R. J. Weatherhead May 22. "A" Battalion:—"A" Company.—Pte. F. J. Bond May 20. "B" Company.—Pte. F. B. Bates May 23. Scottish Company.—Pte. N. W. H. Gray May 21. Jewish Company.—Cpl. L. B. Hanin May 17. "B" Battalion:—American M.G. Co.—Pte. J. Van Senden May 21.

Leave:—Jewish Company.—Lieutenant W. Goldenberg from 25-5-40 to 24-11-40. Reserve of Officers "B"—Lieutenant S. Godkin extension of leave from 6-5-40 to 6-6-40.

"Chain on the Feet Of Japan"

Tokyo Press Intensifies Campaign Urging End of China Conflict

Tokyo, May 26.

While Admiral Yonai in a speech at a Spiritual Mobilization Movement meeting appealed to the nation for closer co-operation with the Government "in building up national defence in order to conduct a 'total war' for disposal of the China Incident, especially in view of the complex international situation," voices are multiplying in the press for a speedy settlement of the China war "to free Japan's hands for world-wide events to come."

After the "Asahi" had advised the nation to get rid of the "chain on its feet," the China Incident, the "Kokumin" urged an early and complete end to the China Incident to permit Japan to take a "more positive policy toward the European war."

Not Been Realized

The newspaper points out that despite the establishment at Nanking of a new national government whose real strength has yet to be tested, the supreme policy as expressed by Prince Konoye—to continue the persecution of the China Incident until the destruction of the Chungking Government—has not yet been realized.

The "Kokumin" urges the Government to put a speedy end to the China Incident, not through "surface formalities and Government statements about the new government at Nanking, while he Chungking Government continues resistance, not with a partial peace, but with complete peace."

The European conflict should be regarded as closely connected with the China Incident, and Japan must be well prepared for whatever may be the outcome of the war without adhering strictly to a policy of non-involvement, recommends the "Kokumin."—Havas.

Embezzlers Arraigned In District Court

Gambling in "Badlands" Cause of Offences

A new victim of gambling which, it is alleged, caused him to misappropriate money belonging to his brother-in-law, is now being detained by the First Special District, while another embezzler whose downfall was also caused by gambling has just been given a suspended sentence of two months' imprisonment

Feng Su, the gambling victim, is an employee of the Sun Company. Recently his brother-in-law gave him more than $2,000 to buy cloth but he is alleged to have gambled away all this money in a short time and then tried to palm off a forged receipt from a foreign firm where he was supposed to have bought the cloth. He did not produce the cloth on the pretext that the goods had not arrived.

His brother-in-law waited some time before suspecting him. He then went to the foreign firm and he discovered that the receipt was a forged one. The Central Police were informed and Feng was arrested. Feng has admitted his misappropriation, but judgment was reserved.

The sentenced gambler is Chen Tze-cheng, an employee of a Japanese firm at 107 Museum Road. Last month, he was given $1,600 by his Japanese employer and told to deposit the money with a bank. Instead of carrying out the order, he went to the "badlands" to gamble and lost all the money. Early next morning, April 27, when he was passing through Avenue Edward VII when terrorists were bombing the printing office of the "Shanghai Evening Post" he was wounded in the head. He has now recovered. His relatives and friends have helped him to refund the misappropriated money, accounting for a lenient treatment by the judge.

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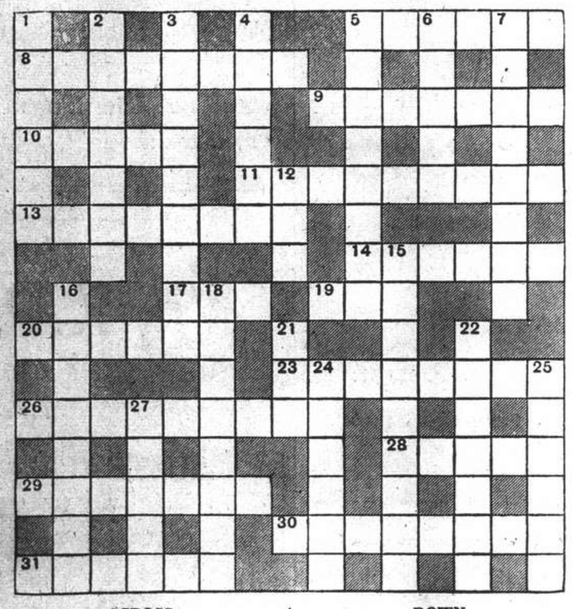

ACROSS

5 All the rage (6)
8 The erring chess player must hope against hope it won't be spotted! (two words—4, 4)
9 Relapse in lumbago case? (7)
10 Is this ever used on board to explain things to sailors? (5)
11 By no means speechless (9)
13 Often true of a strong suit, it might be remembered (8)
14 Spanish wine, German at heart (6)
17 It can divide a good deal (3)
19 Go wrong for this in 14 across (3)
20 Natural feature of backward repose (6)
23 The end of the 14 across (two words—4, 4)
26 This, of course, is the doctor's sphere (two words—5, 4)
28 Kind of candle (5)
29 To the early 28 across life was mostly this and this beheaded (7)
30 Injury a doctor can hardly mend with 31 across (8)
31 See 30 across (6)

DOWN

1 If he's green he won't supply you with tea (6)
2 On the slant (7)
3 Hardly suitable kind of fuel for use at a tobacco factory one would think (9)
4 Slim (6)
5 Ask her if change is needed, but it isn't normal (8)
6 Upset the brute, and answer him (5)
7 All being well one won't need to make it (8)
12 General assistance is his care (3)
15 A nervous display (9)
16 No epithet for the under dog (8)
18 In an emergency (three words—2, 1, 5)
21 End of 26 across (3)
22 By which an innocent man is brought into the picture? (two words—5, 2)
24 Tempt (6)
25 Well, just think it over! (6)
27 End of 16 down, but different (5)

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 5, Sample; 8, Next door; 9, Renown; 10, Coloured; 11, Aero; 14, Fellow-feeling; 19, Negus; 22, Aligned; 23, Hoist; 25, Electric shock; 31, Hare; 33, Drawn out; 34, Window; 35, Angelica; 36, Midrib. DOWN: 1, Revoke; 2, Stroll; 3, Borrow; 4, Grudge; 5, Scrawl; 6, Mundane; 7, Lower; 12, Eggs; 13, Oust; 15, Ovate; 16, Faint; 17, Ennui; 18, Indus; 20, Shah; 21, Bier; 24, Slender; 26, Cobweb; 27, Red rag; 28, Charge; 29, Handle; 30, Clutch; 32, Alibi.

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